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ANTHONY SNOW'S WILL AND INVENTORY.

Literally Transcribed,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

ANTHONY SNOW died at Marshfield in August, 1692, according to the town records.* Since the codicil to his will was dated 8 August, 1692, his death must have occurred between the eighth and the thirty-first days of that month. His wife was Abigail² Warren (*Richard*¹), who survived him. His will is now in possession of the Connecticut Historical Society at Hartford, Conn. They have had it for many years and do not know from whom they received it. Permission to photograph it was secured through the courtesy of their Librarian, Mr. Albert Carlos Bates. It is written on the first two pages of a four-page folio seven and five-eighths by twelve and one-fourth inches in size, and is in very good condition.

The will and inventory are recorded in the Plymouth County Probate Records, Volume I, pages 156-158. The copy of the will here given was made from the original document; the copy of the inventory was made from the probate records as the original has disappeared from the files. The illustration shows the first page of the will.

I Anthony Snow of Marshfeild being weake of body, but of Sound mind & memory Prased be God Doe make this my last Will & Testament in maner & form following that is to say. I Committ my Soule into the hands of God my Savior & my body

* Mayflower Descendant, III: 187.

to Desent buriall when god shall please to Call me home & for the disposall of my outward Estate which God hath graciously given me my mind & will is it shall be Disposed as followeth

Inprimis I give & bequeath unto my welbeloved wife Abigall the house wherin I now live with my Barn outhouseing & orchyard & all the land lying next to the S^d housing soe far as the Cart way leading from the Causaw to Bourns fence & one third. of all my meadow lying at the South River. to be enjoyed by her dureing the Term of her naturall Life. Item I give to my s^d wife two oxen & 4 Cows which she shall Chuse out of my Cattle & also I Give her my Indian maid sevant : Item I give to my S^d wife all my land at Namasket to her her heirs & assigns for ever ; Item I give & bequeath unto my S^d wife my best bed best Rug best Coverlid one pair of blankets a bolster & Pillows & Pillowberes & two pair of sheets at her owne dispose.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Granson Jams ford all my land at Mattakeset. threescore acres more or less To him & his heirs for ever

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Josias Snow all my other lands whatsoever & the Remainder of the lands hereby given to his mother for her life To have & to hold to him & his heires for Ever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughters Lidia Sarah & alis & to my Dater Abigalls Children all the Rest of my neat Cattle To be Equally divided into four parts & each sister to have one part & Abigalls Children to have one part only Jams ford to have noe part with y^e Rest of Abigalls Children. Item I give to [m]y wife [twe]nty pounds in money & to my son Josias ten pounds in money & to my Daughter Lidia ten pounds in money & to my Daughter Sarah ten pounds in mony & to my Daughter Alce ten pounds in money & to my Daughter Abigalls Children nine pounds in money to be Equally divided amongst them exept Jams ford who shall have noe part thereof. Item I give to my Daughter in law my son Josias^s wife twenty shillings, & to my grandchildren Hanah & Abigall ford twenty shillings a peice in money. Item I give & bequeath to my loveing wife my mare & sheep & swine & all my household goods & othere estate not hereby disposed of whom I appoint to be sole Executrix of this my last Will & testament & my will is that what of the S^d houshold goods shall be remaining at my wivs discease shall be equally divided amongst all my Children & I desire my brother Joseph Warren & my Loveing frend Cap^t Nathaniel Thomas to be Overseers of this my last Will & Testa-

ment hereby makeing null & void all other & former Wills by
me made In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand &
seal the Eaight & twentieth day of Desember Anno. Dom. 1685
This Instrum^t was Signed & Anthony Snow (*seal*)
sealed by the aboves^d Anthony
Snow & Declared by him to be
his last Will & Testament
In the p^rsence of us
Nathaniell winslow
faith winslow
Nathaniel Thomas

Cap^t Nath^l Thomas & m^{rs} ffaith Winslow two of the wit-
nesses herein named appeared January 3^d: 169² before William
Bradford Esq^r judge &c & made oath that they were present &
Saw & heard Anthony Snow above named Signe Seal & de-
clare y^e above written Instrument to be hi[s] last will & Testa-
ment and that to y^e best of their judgme[nt he] was of Sound
mind and memory when he did y^e same

A[ttest] Sam^l Sprague Regist^r

[On the second page.]

Memomorandum that I the within Named Anthony Snow
on the 8th day of August 1692 being of sound mind & Memory
Praised be God Doe Rattifie & Confirm the within written
Will by me formerly made & Declare the same to be my last
Will & Testam^t And doe further add thereunto at this time
as follows That is to say that what money I shall leave more
then is disposed by the within Will shall be disposed & I
doe hereby dispose one forth part thereof to my Dear & love-
ing wife, & the other three parts therof to be devided amongst
my Children & grandchildre in such maner as is by the will
within written ordered for the deviding my money therein
given

And I doe further declare my mind & Will That what my
wife hath already given to three of my Dauhtr Abigalls Chil-
dren shall be Recond as part of their Portion which I have given
them by the within written Will And further my will is that what
money or goods my wife has as her own I doe hereby give her
to her dispose as she sees meet In Witness wherof I have here-
unto set my hand & seale the day aboves^d only first I add that
my Daughter Sarah Portion w^t what shee hath already had shall

be made Equall w^t my other daughters with what they have already had

Signed seald & Declared by Anthony Snow (*seal*)
the abovsd Anthony Snow
to be his last Will & Testam^t

In presence of us
Nathaniel Thomas
Deborah Thomas

January y^e 3^d 169³/₄ appeared Capt Nath^l Thomas one of y^e witnesses here named & made oath before William Bradford Esq^r judge y^t he was present & Saw & heard Anthony Snow above named Sign Seal & declare the above written Codicil to be his last will & Testament and that he saw Deborah his wife Subscribe with him as a witness to y^e Same and that to y^e best of his judgment y^e S^d Testator was of disposing mind & memory when he did y^e same

Attest Sam^l Sprague Regist^r

[On a sheet pasted on below the codicil.]

William Bradford Esq^r Commissionated by his Excellency S^r W Phips Kn^t Captain Generall and Govern^r in Chief in and over their Mat^{ies} Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England with the advice and Consent of the Council, for the Granting Probate of Wils and Letters of Administration within the County of Plimouth &c. To all to whome these presents Shall Come or may Concern Greeting. Know yee that on the third day of January 169³/₄. Before me at marshfield the will of Anthony Snow Late of Marshfield aforesaid to these Presents anexed was Proved approved and allowed. who having while he lived and at the time of his Death Goods Chattels Rights and Credits The Said deceased and his will in any maner Concerning was Comitted unto Abigail his Wife Executrix in the same will named Well and truly to Administer the same and to make a true and Perfect Inventory of all and Singular the Goods Chattels Rights and Credits of the said Decas^d and the Same to Exhibit into the Registers Office of the said County according to Law Also to Render a true and Plain account of her said Administration upon Oath.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of the said Office.

William Bradford

Dated at Marshfield the third day of January 169³/₄

Sam^l Sprague Regist^r

Recorded in y^e 156 and 157th pages of Plimouth Counties Book of Records for wills. &c

[Plym. Co. Prob. Rcds., I: 158]

An Inventory of y^e Goods and Chattels of Anthony Snow Late of Marshfield Deceased Apprized by us under written y^e 12th day of Nov^r 1692 :

Imp ^o his Purse Books and Apparrell	114 17 0
Item 4 Beds & furniture belonging to them	032 00 0
Item by Pewter tinn Brass & Iron & Copper	011 14 0
Item by tables fourms Settle Stooles Cubberd Chairs & Chests	008 04 0
It By armes horse furniture & divers sorts of Lumber	008 00 0
It. By neat Cattel Sheep & swine & mare	041 10 0
It By houshold Linnen and homespun Cloth	024 00 0
Item By wooll & flax about 70 pound and corn and flax unbraked	

Stephen Skeff
Michael ffoord
Joseph Waterman
Robert Barker

Abigail Snow Relict and Widdow of Anthony Snow Late of Marshfield deceased appeared on y^e 3^d day of January 169²/₃ Before William Bradford Esq^r judge & Solemnly affirmed that y^e above written is a true Inventory of y^e Goods & Chattels of y^e Said deceased (Except y^e money Given her in y^e Will of S^d deceased Called her own money) So far as She yet knoweth

Attest Sam^l Sprague Regist^r

GOVERNOR BRADFORD'S LETTER BOOK.

Reprinted, by permission, from the Collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society.

GOVERNOR BRADFORD'S Letter Book is so little known it has been decided to reprint it in this magazine and make it accessible to all. Unfortunately the fragment of the original manuscript rescued by Mr. Clarke cannot now be found, and the text printed in the "Collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society," Volume III (1794), pages 27 to 76 inclusive, has been followed. From the first volume of the "Proceedings" of the same society we also reprint in full the account of the receipt of the manuscript, and notes regarding it.

[Proceedings, Vol. I, pp. 51, 52]

At a meeting of the Historical Society, on Tuesday, the thirtieth day of July, 1793, at Winthrop's or Governor's Island The following donations were received :— For the Library :— Fragment of a MS. Letter-book of Governor Bradford, of Plymouth, from 1624 to 1630, found in a grocer's shop in Halifax, Nova Scotia. From James Clarke, Esq., of Halifax.

This fragment of Governor Bradford's Letter-book was printed in Vol. III. of the Collections, making fifty pages. It appears from a note at the beginning of the printed text that the MS. of the part preserved began with "page 339, the preceding pages wanting," and covered the years 1624-1630. This shows that what was recovered was but a small part of what was lost ; while it is probable that the collection originally contained also letters of a later date than 1630. Governor Bradford's History closed with the year 1646, and the letters which he had preserved to illustrate that part of the narrative, from 1630 to its conclusion, may have been included in his Letter-book, as well as those used in the earlier portion. The fragment recovered may have been one volume of a series continuously paged. The fortunate recovery of Governor Bradford's History, some sixty years after Mr. James Clarke rescued this fragment from a grocer's shop in Halifax, happily supplies to a certain extent the place of the Letter-book ; for, while the author did not copy into his History all these letters, we may well suppose him, judging from the use he made of those preserved, to have used the most valuable part of them.

The finding of this manuscript in Halifax naturally suggests the thought that it left Boston at the time of the "evacuation," in March, 1776 ; and, it being well known that the British soldiers during the occupation of Boston had free access to the Historical Library of books and manuscripts of the Rev. Thomas Prince, kept in a room in the tower of the Old South Meeting-house, that it was taken from that collection. This is not improbable. There may be no positive evidence that Prince's Library then contained this Letter-book, yet we know that it was once in Prince's possession. For, besides the manuscripts of Bradford, which he mentions, in the preface to his Chronological History, as having had an "opportunity to search,"—namely, "Bradford's History of Plymouth People and Colony," in folio, and "A Register of Governor Bradford's, in his own hand, recording some of the first deaths, marriages, and punishments at Plymouth, with three other miscellaneous volumes of his," in

octavo, — he several times refers, in his notes on the margin of Bradford's manuscript History, to "Governor Bradford's Collection of Letters." See pp. 47, 61, 64, and 71 of the printed volume.*

The following is the letter of Mr. Clarke which accompanied the manuscript :

"Halifax, May 28, 1793.

"Sir, — The enclosed ancient manuscript I found some years ago in a grocer's shop in this town, of whom I obtained it with a view of saving what remained from destruction. I lament extremely that a page has been torn out; and it gives me pleasure that I now have an opportunity of placing it in your hands, — a freedom I am induced to take from your advertisement of the first of November, 1792, and from a persuasion that it may contribute in some measure to the important objects of your Society, and I could wish I might otherwise be serviceable.

"I am, respectfully, Sir, your most obedient humble servant,

"James Clarke.

"The Rev. Jeremy Belknap."

Where the writer speaks of a *page* being torn out, he probably means that one *leaf* had been torn out of the volume. Bradford may have written on one side only of the leaf in copying his letters, as he generally did in writing his History, so that one leaf would represent one page of writing. — Eds.

GOVERNOUR BRADFORD'S LETTER BOOK.

[Page 339 — the preceding pages wanting.]

To our beloved and right well esteemed friend Mr. William Bradford Governour these, but inscribed thus :

To our beloved friends Mr. William Bradford, Mr. Isaac Allerton, Mr. Edward Winslow, and the rest whom they think fit to acquaint therewith.

Two things (beloved friends) we have endeavoured to effect, touching Plymouth plantation, first, that the planters there might live comfortably and contentedly. 2d that some returns might be made hither for the satisfying and encouragement of the adventurers, but to neither of these two can we yet attain. Nay,

* Edition of 1856.

if it be as some of them report which returned in the Catherine, it is almost impossible to hope for it, since, by their sayings, the slothfulness of one part of you, and the weakness of the other part, is such, that nothing can go well forward. And although we do not wholly credit these reports, yet surely, either the country is not good where you are, for habitation; or else there is something amiss amongst you; and we much fear the willing are too weak and the strong too idle. And because we will not stand upon the number of the objections made by them against you; we have sent them here enclosed, that you may see them and answer them. (*These are those which are inserted and answered before in this book; namely, before Liford's letters, where those letters should also have been placed, but they came not then to hand and I thought better to put them in, than to omit them.*)

As for such as will needs be upon their particulars now that they are gotten over, you must be sure to make such covenants with them, as that first or last the company be satisfied for all their charge. Neither must you proceed to these agreements and consultations with many at once, otherwise how easy might *they* make a lead in rebellion, which have so long done it in cheating and idleness.

Touching Mr. Weston, his disturbing of you about that £100 taken up for Mr. Brewer, except we conclude with Solomon that oppression maketh a wise man mad, we cannot but wonder at it, seeing under his own hand, it is apparently and particularly expressed, summed up and sold with the rest of his adventures, so as no sober man can possibly question it. 2dly, had it not been sold, Mr. Brewer might well have had it, to pay himself part of a debt which Mr. Weston oweth him for commodities sold to him, which he saith amounteth to above £100, as he can prove by good testimony. 3dly, if it had not been apparently sold, Mr. Beuchamp who is of the company also, unto whom he oweth a great deal more, had long ago attached it (as he did other's 16ths) and so he could not have demanded it, either of you or us.

And if he will not believe our testimony here about, who shall believe his, either in this, or any other matters. It is a dangerous *case*, when a man groweth naught in prosperity, and worse in adversity, and what can the end of all this be, but more and more misery. And for conclusion with him, you may shew him what we have wrote about him, and if that satisfy him not, but that he shall still follow his mad and malicious practices against you, warn him out of your precincts, and let

it be upon his peril to set foot thereon; it being indeed no reason that a whole plantation should be disturbed or indamaged by the frantic humours of any one man whatsoever.

Now further for yourselves; as the power of government is fallen upon you, both by lot and desert (as we are persuaded) so your troubles and cares have been so much the more hitherto; and we would not have you think of easing yourselves till you have either made things better, or ended your warfare; for it is best that the world afford us these crosses lest we should forget the meditation of heaven.

And we pray you all even look to yourselves, and your ways; that there be not amongst you some cause or occasion of these evil men's insultings and bravery upon you, as they do, that we charge you with nothing, but are ready to make your just defence at all times against opposites; yet let it not offend you, that we wish you to look to yourselves, as first that you walk close with God, being fervent and frequent in prayer, instruction and doctrine, both openly and privately. 2dly, that you instruct and bring up your young ones in the knowledge and fear of God, restraining them from idleness and profanation of the Sabbath. 3dly, that you freely and readily entertain any honest men, into your church, estate and society, though with great infirmities and difference of judgment; taking heed of too great straitness and singularity even in that particular. 4thly, that there be fervent love and close cleaving together among you that are fearers of God, without secret whispering or undermining one of another, and without contempt or neglect of such as are weak and helpless, if honest, amongst you. This do, and in all things be humble, cheerful and thankful; that if you cannot grow rich in this world, yet you may be rich in grace; and if you can send us no other treasure, yet let all that visit you, bring from you the fame of honesty, religion and godliness, which we trust, shall comfort us more than all else you can send us in this world.

At a word, though we be detected of folly, ignorance, want of judgment, yet let no man charge us with dishonesty, looseness or unconscionableness; but though we lose our labours or adventures, or charges, yea our lives; yet let us not lose one jot of our innocence, integrity, holiness, fear and comfort with God.

And, thus ceasing for this time to trouble you further; praying God to bless and prosper you, and sanctify all your crosses and losses, that they may turn to your great profit and

comfort in the end, with hearty salutations to you all, we lovingly take leave of you, from London, April 7, 1624.

Your assured lovers and friends,

<i>James Sherley,</i>	<i>Thomas Fletcher,</i>
<i>Thomas Brewer,</i>	<i>John Ling,</i>
<i>William Collier,</i>	<i>William Thomas,</i>
<i>Joseph Pocok,</i>	<i>Robert Reayne.</i>

[Now follows the first letters we received after the breach; for Mr. Thornell and the rest never replied nor writ more unto us, being partly ashamed of what they done and written.]

To our beloved friends Mr. William Bradford, Mr. Isaac Allerton, Mr. William Brewster, and the rest of the general society of Plymouth in New England, salutations.

Though the thing we feared be come upon us and the evils we strove against, have overtaken us; yet cannot we forget you, nor our friendship and fellowship, which, together we have had some years; wherein though our expressions have been small, yet our hearty affections towards you (unknown by face) have been no less than to our nearest friends, yea even to our own selves. And though your and our friend, Mr. Winslow, can tell you the estate of things here, and what hath befallen us; yet lest we should seem to neglect you, to whom by a wonderful providence of God, we are so nearly united; we have thought good once more to write unto you, and the arguments of our letter must consist of these three points, first to shew you what is here befallen, 2dly, the reason and cause of that which is fallen, 3rdly, our purposes and desires towards you hereafter.

The former course for the generality here is wholly dissolved from that course which was held. And whereas you and we, were formerly sharers, and partners in all voyages and dealings, this way is now so no more, but you and we are left to bethink ourselves, what course to take in the future, that your lives and our monies be not lost. And this, as ourselves first saw, so have we begun to practice, as we thought best for your and our safety for hereafter; and it standeth you no less in hand seriously to consider what is best to do, that you may both continue good conscience with God and procure your best safety in this world.

The reasons and causes of this alteration, have been these first and mainly, the many crosses, and losses and abuses by sea and seamen, which have caused us to run into so much

charge, and debts and engagements, as our estates and means were not able to go on without impoverishing ourselves, and much hindering if not spoiling our trades and callings here; except our estates had been greater or our associates had cloven better to us. 2dly, As here hath been a faction and siding amongst us now more than two years; so now there is an utter breach and sequestration amongst us, and in two parts of us, a full dissention, and forsaking of you, without any intent or purpose of meddling more with you.

And though we are persuaded the main cause of their this doing is want of money (for need whereof men use to make many excuses) yet other things are by many pretended, and not without some colour urged, which are these: 1st, A distaste of you there, for that you are (as they affirm) Brownists, condemning all other churches, and persons but yourselves and those in your way, and you are contentious, cruel and hard hearted, among your neighbours and towards such as in all points both civil and religious, jump not with you. And that you are negligent, careless, wasteful, unthrifty, and suffer all general goods, and affairs to go at six and sevens and spend your time in idleness and talking and conferring, and care not what be wasted worn and torn out, whilst all things come so easily, and so cheap unto you. 2dly, A distaste and personal contempt of us for taking your parts and striving to defend you, and make the best of all matters touching you, insomuch as it is hard to say whether you or we are least loved of them.

Now what use either you or we may make of these things, it remaineth to be considered; and the more, for that we know the hand of God to be present in all these things, and he no doubt would admonish us of something which is not yet so looked to and taken to heart as it should. And although it be now too late for us, or you, to prevent and stay these things, yet is it not too late to exercise patience, wisdom and conscience, in bearing them, and in carrying ourselves in and under them for time to come. And as we ourselves stand ready to embrace all occasions that may tend to the furtherance of so hopeful a work; rather admiring at what is, than grudging for what is not, so it must rest still in you to make all good again. And if in nothing else you can be approved, yet let your honesty and conscience be still approved, and lose not one jot of your innocence amidst your many crosses and afflictions.

And surely if you upon this alteration behave yourselves wisely and go on fairly, as men whose hopes is not in this life; you shall need no other weapon to wound your adversaries;

for when your righteousness is revealed as the light, they shall cover their faces with shame, that causelessly have sought your overthrow.

And although (we hope) you need not our council in these things, having learned of God how to behave yourselves, in all estates in this world, yet a word for your advice and direction, to spur those forward, which we hope run already.

And first, seeing our generality here is dissolved, let yours be the more firm; and do not you like carnal people (which run into inconveniences and evils by examples) but rather be warned by your harms, to cleave faster together hereafter; take heed of long and sharp disputes and oppositions, give no passage to the waters, no not a tittle; let not hatred or heart-burning be harboured in the breast of any of you one moment, but forgive and forget all former failings and abuses, and renew your love and friendship together daily. There is often more sound friendship and sweeter fellowship in afflictions and crosses than in prosperity and favours; and there is reason for it, because envy flieth away when there is nothing but necessities to be looked on; but it is always a bold *guest* where prosperity shews itself.

And although we here which are hedged about with so many favours and helps in worldly things and comforts; forget friendship and love and fall out often times for trifles; yet you must not do so, but must in these things turn a new leaf and be of another spirit. We here can fall out with a friend and lose him today, and find another tomorrow; but you cannot do so, you have no such choice, you must make much of them you have, and count him a very good friend, which is not a professed enemy. We have a trade and custom of tale bearing, whispering and changing of old friends for new, and these things with us are incurable. But you which do as it were begin a new world and lay the foundation of sound piety and humanity for others to follow, must suffer no such weeds in your garden, but nip them in the head, and cast them out forever; and must follow peace and study quietness, having fervent love amongst yourselves as a perfect and entire bond to uphold you when all else fails you. And although we have written much to you heretofore to provoke to union and love as the only way to make you stand, and without which all would come to nothing; so now you are much more to be provoked thereunto, since you are left, rather to be spectators to the eye than objects to the hand, and stand most need one of another, at home when foreign help is so much decayed and weakened.

And if any amongst you, for all that, have still a withdrawing heart, and will be all to himself, and nothing to his neighbour, let him think of these things. 1st, The providence of God in bringing you there together. 2d, His marvellous preserving you from so many dangers, the particulars whereof you know and must never forget. 3d, The hopes that yet are of effecting somewhat for yourselves and more for your posterity if hand join in hand. 4th, The woful estate of him which is alone, especially in a wilderness. 5th, The succour and comfort which the generality can daily afford, having built houses, planted corn, framed boats, erected salt works, obtained cattle, swine, and pulling,* together with the diverse varieties of trades and faculties employed by sea and land, the gains of every one stretching itself unto all whilst they are in the general: but such as withdraw themselves tempting God and despising their neighbours, must look for no share or part in any of these things; but as they will be a commonwealth alone, so alone they must work, and alone they must eat, and alone they must be sick and die, or else languishing under the frustration of their vain hopes, alone return to England, and there to help all cry out of the country and the people; counting the one fruitless and the other merciless; when indeed their own folly, pride, and idleness is the cause of all which never weigh either the providence of God, the conscience of their duty, nor care for their neighbours, or themselves, further than to grate upon their friends; as if other men owed them all things, and they owed no man any thing. 6th, The conscience of making restitution, and paying those debts and charges which hath befallen to bring you there, and send those things to you, which you have had, must hold you together; and for him that withdraws himself from the general; we look upon him, as upon a man, who, having served his turn, and fulfilled his desire, cares not what becomes of others, neither maketh conscience of any debt, or duty at all, but thinketh to slide away under secret colours, to abuse and deceive his friends; and against whom we need say little, seeing the Lord will never cease to curse his course.

And albeit, the company here as a company hath lost you; you know when Saul left David, yea, and pursued him, yet David did not abuse his allegiance and loyalty to him, no more should you; the evil of us here, cannot justify any evil in you, but you must still do your duty, though we neglect ours. 2dly. Indeed we are persuaded, it is in the most of the adventurers rather want of power, than will, that maketh them break off;

* Pullen, an obsolete word for poultry.

they having gone as far as they can in the business, and are as sorry that they cannot go forward as you are offended that they do not go forward, yea, and the pretences of those which have the most colours, we are persuaded, proceed more from weakness of the purse, than fear of any thing else; and the want of money is such a greivous sickness now-a-days, as that it makes men rave and cry out, they cannot tell for what. 3dly, And in a word we think it but reason, that all such things as these, are appertaining to the general, be kept and preserved together, and rather increased daily, than any way dispersed or embezzled away, for any private ends or intents whatsoever. 4thly, That after your necessities are served, you gather together such commodities as the country yields, and send them over to pay debts and clear engagements here, which are not less than £1400. All which debts, besides adventures, have been made about general commodities and implements, and for which divers of us, stand more or less engaged. And we dare say of you, that you will do the best you can to free us, and unburden us, that for your sakes, and help, are so much hazarded in our estates, and names. 5thly, If there be any that will withdraw himself from the general, as he must not have, nor use any of the general's goods, so it is but reason that he give sufficient security for payment of so much of the debts as his part cometh to; which how much it will come to, upon a person, or family is quickly counted; and since we require but men's faithful endeavours, and cannot obtain them, let none think much if we require other security than fair words and promises, of such men as make no more conscience of their words and ways.

If any amongst you shall object against us, either our long delays in our supplies heretofore, or our too much jollity in spending sometimes at our meetings more than perhaps needed; that will prove but trifling, for we could also find fault with the idleness and sloth of many amongst you, which have made all the rest go forward slowly, as also we could find fault with your liberality, and largeness also, when it might have been otherwise; but all such matters must still be left to the discretion and conscience of either side, knowing that where many have a hand in such business, there will not want some, that are too timerous and slack; as also that in matters of note, something must be done for form and credit. And for ourselves we think there hath hardly in our days; been a business, of this note, and fame, carried by Londoners, with twice the expense in by matters that this hath been; and therefore let each man rather

seek to mend himself, than hastily to cast in objections against others.

In a word, since it thus still falleth out, that all things between us, are as you see, let us all endeavour to keep a fair and honest course, and see what time will bring forth, and how God in his providence will work for us. We still are persuaded, you are the people, that must make a plantation, and erect a city in those remote places, when all others fail, and return; and your experience of God's providence and preservation of you is such, that we hope your hearts will not now fail you, though your friends should forsake you (which we ourselves shall not do whilst we live, so long as your honesty so well appeareth) yet surely help would arise from some other place, whilst you wait on God with uprightness, though we should leave you also.

To conclude, as you are especially now to renew your love one to another; so we advise you, as your friends to these particulars. First let all sharpness, reprehensions, and corrections, of opposite persons, be still used sparingly, and take no advantage against any, for any by respects; but rather wait for their mending amongst you, than to mend them yourselves by thrusting them away, of whom there is any hope of good to be had. 2d, Make your corporation, as formal as you can, under the name of the Society of Plymouth in New England, allowing some peculiar privileges, to all the members thereof, according to the tenure of the patents. 3d, Let your practises and course in religion in the church, be made complete, and full; let all that fear God amongst you, join themselves thereunto without delay; and let all the ordinances of God be used completely in the church without longer waiting upon uncertainties, or keeping the gap open for opposites. 4ly, Let the worship and service of God be strictly kept on the Sabbath, and both together, and asunder let the day be sanctified; and let your care be seen on the working days every where and upon all occasions to set forward the service of God. And lastly, be you all entreated to walk so circumspectly and carry yourselves so uprightly in all your ways, as that no man may make just exceptions against you; and more especially that the favour and countenance of God may be so towards you, as that you may find abundant joy and peace even amidst tribulations, that you may say with David, *though my father, and my mother should forsake me; yet the Lord will take me up.*

We have sent you some cattle, cloth, hose, shoes, leather, &c. but in another nature than formerly, as it stood us in hand

to do ; we have committed them to the custody and charge of, as our factors, Mr. Allerton and Mr. Winslow, at whose discretion they are to be sold and commodities, taken for them as is fitting. And it standeth you in need the more carefully to look to, and make much of all your commodities, by how much the more they are chargeable to you, and though we hope you shall not want things necessary, so we think the harder they are got, the more carefully they will be husbanded. Good friends, as you buy them, keep a decorum in distributing them, and let none have varieties, and things for delight, when others want for their mere necessities, and have an eye rather on your ill deservings at God's hand, than upon the failings of your friends towards you ; and wait on him with patience, and good conscience ; rather admiring his mercies, (than repining at his crosses,) with the assurance of faith, that what is wanting here shall be made up in glory a thousand fold. Go on good friends, comfortably pluck up your hearts cheerfully, and quit yourselves like men, in all your difficulties, that notwithstanding all displeasure and threats of men, yet the work may go on which you are about, and not be neglected, which is so much for the glory of God, and the furtherance of our Countrymen, as that a man may with more comfort spend his life in it ; than live the life of Methuselah in wasting the plenty of a tilled land, or eating the fruit of a grown tree.

Thus having not time to write further unto you, leaving other things to the relation of our friends ; with all hearty salutations to you all, and hearty prayers, for you all, we lovingly take our leave this 18th of December, 1624.

Your assured friends to our power,
James Sherley, (sick)
William Collier,
Thomas Fletcher,
Robert Holland.

[This letter was wrote with Mr. Cushman's hand ; and it is likely was penned by him at the other's request.]

(*To be continued.*)

RECORDS OF THE FIRST PARISH IN BREWSTER,
FORMERLY THE FIRST PARISH IN
HARWICH, MASS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 249.)

- [p. 11] On May 27. 1716 Judah Hopkins and his Wife were admitted; and Edward Snows Son Nathan Baptised.
- On June 3. 1716 Judah Hopkins's Wife and seven children, viz Mercy, John, Martha, Rebecka, Judah, Stephen and Desire, were all baptised.
- Sam^{ll} Tuckers Daughter Anna baptised on July 29. 1716.
- Elisha Hamlin Admitted July 22. 1716.
- Elenor Winslow Admitted Aug : 12. 1716.
- Hannah Mayo admitted Sep : 2. 1716
- Stephen Griffiths Abraham baptised on Sept : 2. 1716.
- John Freemans Elcana baptised on Feb : 10. 1716/17
- Judah Hopkins's Silvanus baptised on Feb : 17. 1716/17.
- Sam^{ll} Seers's Desire Baptised on Apr : 21. 1717.
- George Weeks's Mehittabel and Andrew Clarks Elizabeth Baptised on Apr : 28. 1717.
- Widow Ellis's Benjamin, Joseph, John and Thankfull baptised June 23. 1717.
- Justice Joseph Doans Elizabeth baptised on : July 21. 1717.
- Sam^{ll} Hopkins's Sarah John Hords Joseph & Judah Rogers's Hanna, all baptised on July 28. 1717.
- Medad Atwood admitted on Sept : 15 1717.
- [p. 12] Sam^{ll} Hardins Children of Eastham viz, Nicolas, Sam^{ll}, John, Zephenia and Elizabeth all baptised on Sep : 29. 1717.
- Mehitabel Rogers of Eastham admitted on Oct : 6. 1717.
- Thomas, Son of Simon Croseby admitted on Oct : 20. 1717.
- Mr Osborns Daughter Mary baptised on March 30 1718.
- John Yates's John Baptised on Apr : 13. 1718
- John Whings Rebekka baptised on Apr : 27. 1718
- M^{rs} Whing admitted June 8. 1718. & baptized y^e next Subsequent Sabbath.
- Chillth Fosters Isaac and W^m Bakers William baptised June 22. 1718
- Nath^{ll} Croseby admitted July 6. 1718
- Eodem Die Hanna Stone Baptised.
- George Weekss Debora paptized on July 27. 1718.
- Joseph Coles Son Joseph Baptized on Aug : 10. 1718
- Jonathan Bangs's Wife admitted on Aug : 10. 1718.
- Sam^{ll} Seers's Mary Baptised Aug . 17. 1718.

Jonathan Bangs's children viz, Elizabeth, John, James and Mercy
baptized on Aug : 24. 1718.

[p. 13] Edward Snowes Joseph baptised on Sept : 14. 1718.

Widow Astin admitted on Apr : 16. 1719

Deacon Lincolns Elizabeth baptised on Apr : 19. 1719.

The Widow Whings children viz, Elnathan, Samuel, Elizabeth, John,
Joseph, and Mary; wth y^e Widow Astins Hannah, all baptised
on Apr : 26. 1719.

Sam^{ll} Hynkley and his Wife dismissed from y^s chh to y^t in Trueroe
some months past Apr : 1719.

Sam^{ll} Bangs's Lemuel baptised on June 7. 1719.

Elener Winslow, alias Hamlin dismissed to Barnstable chh about the
same time.

Judah Hopkins's Hanna, and Andrew Clarks Anna Baptised July
13. 1719.

Sam^{ll} Hopkins's Susanna Baptised on July 19 1719.

Sam^{ll} Crosbey Admitted from Eastham on Aug : 2. 1719.

Anna Crosbey admitted on Sept : 27. 1719.

John Freemans Daughter mary baptised on Oct : 18. 1719

Thankfull Ellice, Bennet Smith and Elizabeth Smith all admitted on
Oct : 25 : 1719

Mercy Ellice admitted on Dec : 6. 1719. and baptised on Decem : 13.
1719.

[p. 14] Sam^{ll} Crosbies Suzanna baptised on Jan : 17. 1719/20.

Hanna Stone baptised March 27. 1720.

Georg Weeks admitted from Boston South Chh March 27. 1720.

Chillth Fosters Mercy baptised on Apr : 3. 1720.

George Weeks's Amiel baptised on Apr : 17. 1720.

John Kings Wife admitted from Barnstable chh on May 15 1720.

Sam^{ll} Seers's Hannah baptised on June 12. 1720.

Prince Snow admitted July 17. 1720.

John Maker Admitted July 31. 1720 and his children Peleg, Thank-
full, Mary and Jonathan baptised on Aug : 21. 1720.

Susanna Seers admitted on Sept : 11. 1720.

The Widow Berry admitted & baptised on Sept : 18. 1720.

Hanna Marick Admitted and Baptised on Nov : 20. 1720.

Sara Crosby, Simons Daughter admitted on Jan 29. 1720/21.

Hanna Lincoln, Sarah Bangs & Dorcas Pain all admitted on Apr : 2.
1721.

[p. 15] Deacon Lincolns Jeremia baptised on Apr : 23. 1721.

Sam^{ll} Hopkins's Moses baptised on Apr : 30. 1721.

Jonathan Lincolns Benjamin, Clark, Hanna, and Sarah, all baptised
on May 7. 1721.

Joshua Seers's Wife admitted on May 14. 1721.

Scottoway Clarks Wife admitted & Joshua Seers's Josiah Baptised on
May 21. 1721.

William Crosbies wife admitted on June 11. and baptised on 18. 1721

Scottoway Clarks Andrew, Scottoway, mary, Lydia, Joseph, Ben-
jamin, and Nathan^{ll} all baptised on June 25. 1721.

John Fleckers Ruth baptised also at y^e same time.

W^m Crosbies Thankfull, Tully, Mehittabel and W^m, and Edward Bangs's son Benjamin all baptized on July 2. 1721.

Rebekka Vicory admited on July 9. 1721.

Benjamin Hamlin of Billingsgate Admited and his Son Cornelius baptized on Sept : 10. 1721.

[p. 16] Scottoway Clarks Sarah, and George Weeks's Hanna baptized on Sept. 24 1721.

Jane Nicorson admited on Dec : 31. 1721.

Sam^{ll} Seers's Samuell baptized on Feb : 25. 1721/22.

Sam^{ll} Crosbies Simeon baptized March 11. 1721/22.

Matthew Gages Wife admited on May 13. 1722.

Andrew Clarks Thankfull baptized on May 20. 1722.

John Freemans Ely baptized on May 27. 1722.

Jonathan Lincolns Jonathan baptized at y^e Same time.

Matthew Gages Wife baptized on June 10. 1722.

Benjamin Hamlins Joshua at y^e Same time viz June 10. 1722.

Benjamins Maricks Wife admited on June 17. 1722.

Her children viz, John, Rebekka Isaac, Nath^{ll} and Benjamin, baptized on June 24. 1722.

Matthew Gages children, John, Lot, Susanna, Hannah, all baptized on July 1. 1722.

[p. 17] Sam^{ll} Gray Son to John, admited on July 8. 1722.

Nostra filia Hulda, baptizata eodem tempore.

Joseph Mayo and his Wife admited on July 15. 1722.

on Aug : 5. 1722. Joseph Mayos Wife baptized also their children viz, Joseph, Moses, Lidea.

At y^e same time Chill : Fosters Mercy baptized.

Benjamin Marick also that day was admited, viz Aug 5. 1722.

John Snowes Enos baptized on Aug : 12. 1722.

Joshua Seers's Nath^{ll} Baptized on Aug : 19. 1722.

Widow Robbins and Joseph Seers's Wife admited Aug : 26. 1722. the former of these baptized on Sept : 9. 1722.

John Taylors Thomas Baptized on Sept : 16. 1722.

Jonathan Bangs's Sam^{ll} baptized on Sept : 23. 1722.

W^m Penny and his Wife admited on Oct : 28. 1722.

[p. 18] W^m Pennys Wife, and their Sons William and John all Baptized on Nov : 11. 1722.

Russells Wife admited Dec. 9. 1722.

Jonathan Lincoln admited on March 31. 1723.

W^m Crosbies Nathan baptized on Apr : , 21. 1723.

Judah Berry and his Wife admited on May 5. 1723.

Hatsul Freemans wife admited on May 12. 1723. and baptized at y^e Same time.

On May 19. 1723. Hatsul Freemans Daved baptized. and Also Judah Berries children viz Lemuell, Theophilus, Mary, Hanna, and Ruth.

John Mayos Wife admited and Elisha Hamlins Elijah, baptized on May 26. 1723.

Hatsul Freemans Abigail Baptized on June 2. 1723.

John Makers Elizabeth Baptized on June 9. 1723.

John Mayos Rebekka, Susanna, Sam^l, John, and Mercy all baptized
on June 16. 1723.

Edward Bangs jun : admitted on Aug : 4. 1723.

(To be continued.)

DEACON ELKANAH CUSHMAN'S WILL AND THE BOND OF HIS SONS JOSIAH AND ALLERTON.*

Transcribed from the Original Documents,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

Deacon Elkanah Cushman of Plympton, Mass., was the son of Elder Thomas and Mary (Allerton) Cushman, and grandson of Isaac and Mary (Norris) Allerton. He was born at Plym-outh on 1 June, 1651,† and died at Plympton on 4 September, 1727.‡ His will is recorded in the Plymouth County Probate Records [V : 330, 331] and the original document is still pre-served in the files [Docket 5813], which contain also the un-recorded bond of the executors, his two sons Josiah and Allerton. The will was dated 14 October, 1725, and proved 26 September, 1727. The copies here given were made from the original documents.

Know all men by these presents that I Elkanah Cushman of the town of plimpton in the County of plimouth in new england being at this present time in health : and of sound and disposing mind & memory and understanding (blessed be god for It :) Do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament to Remain firm and Inviolable for Ever : Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son Allerton Cushman : and unto my daughter Martha Holmes Each of them twenty pounds : and unto my two granddaughters Elisabeth Delano : and Hannah Cushman Each of them five pounds : Item : I give and bequeath unto my two sons Allerton Cushman and Josiah Cushman all the Rest of my Estate both Real and personal

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† Plym. Col. B. M. & B., p. 13.

‡ Mayflower Descendant, I : 178.

and also all the money or bills of credit which I shall have at the time of my decease : and also all the debts that shall then be due unto me : my Just debts and funeral Charges being first paid out of the same and my will is that my said two sons Allerton and Josiah shall be Executors of this my last will and testament : Thus hoping that this my last will and testament will be Kept and performed according to the true Intent and meaning thereof : I Commit my body to the dust and my soul to God that gave it : In witness whereof I the aforesaid Elkanah Cushman have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of october one thousand seven hundred twenty and five

Signed Sealed & declared by

Elkanah Cushman (Seal)

the abovenamed Elkanah

Cushman to be his last

will and testament :

In the presence of us

Jacob Tomson

John Tomson Junior

Barnabas Tomson

September the 22 : 1727

The abovenamed John Tomson Jun^r and Barnabas Tomson made oath that they saw the abovenamed Elkanah Cushman late of Plimpton in the County of Plimoth deceased signe seal and heard him declare the above written Instrument to be his last Will and Testament and that at the same time they together with Jacob Tomson set to their hands as witnessess and that also according to the best of their observation he then was of a sound and disposeing mind and memory.

Before Isaac Winslow Judge of Probate

[BOND OF JOSIAH AND ALLERTON CUSHMAN.]

Know all men by these Presents that wee Josiah Cushman and Allerton Cushman both of Plimpton in the County Plimoth within the Province of the Massachusetts bay in Newengland are holden and stand firmly bound and oblided unto Isaac Winslow Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills and for granting of Administration in the County aforesd in the full sum of two hundred pounds Currant mony of newengland : to be paid to the sd Isaac Winslow his successors in sd office or assigns to which payment well and truly to be made wee bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our heirs executors and ad-

ministrators Joyntly and severally for the whole and in the whole firmly by these presents sealed with our seals Dated the Twenty ninth day of September Anno Domini 1727

The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bounded Josiah Cushman who is in and by the last Will and Testament of his father Elkanah Cushman late of Plimpton aforesd deceased made and appointed Executor to sd Will and not haveing exhibited an Inventory of the Estate of the sd deceased: Now therfore if the sd Josiah Cushman he his heirs executors and adminestrators shall well and faithfully execute the aforesd Will according to law and pay and satisfy all the Just debts and legacyes due from the Estate of the sd Elkanah Cushman deceased unto any person or persons whatsoever: Then the abovementioned obligation to be voide and of no effect or else to abide and remaine in full force and vertue.

Signed sealed and delivered Josiah Cushman (Seal)
 In presence of Allerton Cushman (Seal)
 Samuel Bradford
 Elizabeth Rose

EASTHAM AND ORLEANS, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 142.)

[Since the copying of these records was begun the books have been repaired by the Emery process and the one formerly called Volume I has been marked "Land Grants, 1659-1710; Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1649-1760." Another volume contains a few records of earlier date, consequently all the vital records in that volume are here given.]

[Volume Marked "Meetings, 1650-1705; Ear Marks, Miscellaneous, 1648-1770."]

[p. 11] The Children of Jabez Snow recorded *

Jabez Snow one sonn Named Jabez borne the 6th september 1670

Jabez Snow one sonn Named Edward borne the 26th of March 1672

Jabez Snow a daughter Named sarah borne the 16th * of februar[y]

1673

Jabez Snow a daughter Named grace borne the fift day of februarie .

1675

[p. 13] Raph Smith a daughter named Deborough born 8 march

1654

William Twining Junear a daughter named Joanna borne 30 may

1657

* Compare record in Mayflower Descendant, IV: 32.

[p. 14] Marke Sno and An Cook maryed 18 January 16[*worn*] *
 William Walker and Sara Sno maryed 25 January [*worn*] †
 Jonathan Sparo and Rebeca bangs maryed october 28 : 1654
 Richard Higinse his Children
 a daughter named Mary borne septembr 27 1652
 a sonn named elyakim borne october 20 1654
 a sonn named Jonathan borne in the towne of new Plimworth in
 July 1637
 a sonn there born allso named Beniamin born in June in the yeere
 1640
 Joh ‡ Yats the sonn of John Yats borne in the town of Duxborough
 in august in the yeere 1650
 Robert Wixom a daughter named Jemimah born 30 aughost 1655
 Jonathan Sparo a sonn named John was borne 2 novembr 1656
 Mark Sno a daughter Named Anna borne 7 July 1656
 Richard Knowise a daughter named mehittabell borne 20 may 1653
 an other daughter borne to him 28 september 1656 named barbara
 Anna Sno the wife of mark Sno buryed 25 July 1656
 William Twining Junear a daughter named Suzanna borne 25 Jenu-
 ary 1654
 The Children of William Merick
 a sonn named William borne 15 september 1643
 allso a sonn named Steeven borne 12 may in the yer 1646
 allso a daughter named Rebecca borne 28 July 1648
 allsoe a daughter named Mary borne 4 novembr 1650
 allso a daughter named Ruth borne 15 may 1652
 allso a daughter named Sara born 1 aughost 1654
 allso a sonn named John borne 15 January 1656
 Henry Adkinse a sonn named Isake born 14 Jun 1657
 Daniell Cole his Children
 a sonn named John born 15 July 1644
 allsoe a sonn named Tymothy borne 15 septembr 1646
 allsoe a daughter named hephzibah borne 15 aprill 1649
 allsoe a daughter named Ruth borne 15 aprill 1651
 Alsoe a sonn named Israell borne 8 June 1653
 allsoe a sonn name James borne 30 nomber 1655
 William Walker a sonn named John born 3 December 16 [*worn*] §

(*To be continued.*)

* "1654" in *Plym. Col. Births, Marriages & Burials*, p. 16.

† "25 February, 1654." *Ibid.*, p. 16.

‡ "John" born "15th" of August. *Ibid.*, p. 32.

§ "24 November 1655." *Ibid.*, p. 16.

THE BREWSTER BOOK.

(Continued from Vol. II, p. 113.)

As already stated, the existing pages of the Brewster Book have been numbered consecutively for convenience of reference. In again taking up the task of transcribing the entries we shall begin with the present first page and indicate, as the work progresses, the places where leaves have been lost. At least twelve pages preceding the present first page are missing.

[p. 1] manu meo subscriptum [*worn*] appensum. Apud Londin[*worn*]cembris. Anno Domi Miliesimo sexc[*worn*] primo *
Coram his testibus Subsequen[*worn*]

Testes sunt.

Sub[*worn*]

Edw. Jhonston.

Archibaldus stirling

Willm Nisbet

Jacobus Phillip.

Willm Alex^r

Georgij Lashe scripteris.

At least two children have used this page in lieu of a copy book, and one of them wrote the following lines:

think on me when thou sest me not
prove not to me uncind
I ma† not like the vether Coke
which turn neth with the wind

The handwriting of these four lines is very similar to that on the pages containing the drawings of horses†, and they were doubtless written prior to 1650.

At the bottom of the page, written with the book turned upside down, are six lines so badly worn that no sense can be made out of what remains, in spite of many efforts.

[p. 2] [*worn*]owne to all me by these pnts [*worn*]am Alexander of Menstou Knyght, lord [*worn*] for his Ma^{tie} of the Lordshippe & Barony [*worn*]in America, and great admirall therof [*worn*] causes

* 5 December, 1621. See page 26.

† "am"

‡ See Mayflower Descendant I: 3 and 4, also illustration facing page 193 of same volume.

and considera^ons moving me To [worn]ituted and ordained, lyke as I by the tenor [worn]nstitute & ordaine Captaine Jhon Mason [worn]e, and after his Decease Anthony Alex^r [worn]ng all the dayes of his lyfetye, my [worn]said office of Admiralty within the wholle [worn]said lordshippe and Barony of New Scotland [worn] the boundes of that parte of the said lordshipp [worn]land called the Barony of Galloway, the right [worn]posed of, and to be disposed by his Ma^{tie}, and [worn]bert Gordoun second lawfull sonne to S^r Ro^t [worn] Lochimvar kny^t, And except the boundes [worn] of the Isle of Sablen Wherin I am obliged [worn]and seize the said Ro^t Gordoun. Giving [worn]g and committing full and absolute power [worn] Captaine Jhon Mason during his lyfetye [worn] his decease to the said Anthony Alex^r during [worn] dayes of his lyfetye To Aske crave recou^e[worn] with and uplift all and sondrie Casualties, fees [worn] and other thinges whatsoever pertaining and [worn]g, or that maye pertaine or belong to me as Ad[worn] within the boundes aforesaid (except before excepted) [worn]r Courts of Admiralty in any parte of the said lordshipp and B]arony of New Scotland (except before excepted) [worn] beginne affixe, affirme hold and continew as o[worn] requyres, Clarkes officers Servants and othe[r] [worn]rs of Court needfull to creat constitut an[worn] Depose and to Discharge as they sha[worn], The escheates unla^ws & amercia[worn] [p. 3] of the said courts to uplift, and [worn] with the wholle remnant casualti[worn]fice to their owne use to applye, a[worn] Justice in all actions appertaining [worn]miralty conformable to the la[worn] of the Realme of Scotland. P[worn] to direct, Interlocutories Sentenc[worn]finitive to pronounce, and to cause to [worn] execuⁿ as occasion shall serve. [worn] use and exercise all and sondrye oth[worn] [app]rteining to the said office of admi[worn] and as freely in all respectes as I [worn] my selfe. Allowing and firme and [worn] and for to hold all and whatsoever [worn] Deputies or either of them in the [worn] shall Doe. Lyke as I bind and obl[worn] that I have done nor shall doe nothi[ng] [worn]judice heirunto in noe tyme bypast no[worn] And also to make and Subscryve and [worn] & in favo^r of the said Captaine John M[worn] his lyfetye, and to the said Antony A[worn] his lyfetye after the decease of the [worn] John Mason Any other Charto^r or Cha[worn] more powerfull and effectuall exer[worn] of the said Office of Admiralty [worn] boundes abovenamed (except before exc[worn] for the uplifting and introumetting With[worn]ates Casualties and other thinges apper[teining] to the said office of Admiralty as they [worn]vyse

for their security. With warrant [worn] proper facts and Deedes of Mr. [worn] allennerly,* and that without an [worn] reckoning or payement to be made [worn] [p. 4] [worn] he Duties or Casualties [worn] or any parte of the same. And [worn] security heirof I am content and doe [worn] these presents be inserted and Regis[worn] bookes of New Scotland [worn] for the tyme, Or in the bookes of [worn]e the strenthe of either of there [worn] letters and other Matters needfull [worn]ted hereupon, by a simple Charge [worn]javes only, And for Registering heirof [worn]itute

[worn] Promittende vato. In Witnes [worn]e subscribed these presents with [worn]itten by George Lashe Servitor [worn] honorable Sr George Calvert Knyt [worn] Maties Principall Secretaries, And [worn]ties most honorable privy Counsell [worn] caused my Sealle of office to be [worn] heirunto. At London the 5 daye [worn]mber in the yeare of our lord God [worn]sand six hundred Twentye one.†

[worn]se Witness following
[worn] ut prius

Subscrib. ut prius

The same children who practised on page one have used page four also.

[p. 5] Copey of a lycence [worn] Lo: of the Counsell for [worn] of 30. peeces of iro ordnanc [worn]

Wheras it hath pleased his Matie b [worn] Patentes Graunted unto the President and [worn] of the Planta^on in New England among oth [worn] & immunities theirine mencioned to give [worn] lycence to transport munition & ordnance [worn]essary Defence of that Country, forasmu [worn] suite is now made unto us that Licence [worn]nted unto Thomas Weston merchant of [worn] one of the Adventurers for thoes parts [worn] in the shippe called the Charity of lo [worn] burden of one hundred tunnes (Wherof [worn]nolds goes master) or in any other [worn]ippes that heirafter shall goe [worn] place Thirty peeces of iron ordnan [worn] 15 demye culverings Weyghing betwe [worn] and Thirty six hundred Weight the peec [worn] Sakers between Twenty & Twentie ei [worn]dred the peece And five Minions bet [worn]teen and twentie hundred weight the peec [worn] are to pray and requyre yo^r lo: that acco [worn] to such cautions as are prescryved in cer [worn] orders established about the exporta^on [worn]nannce, you permitt and suffer the tr [worn] of the foresaid Thirty peeces of Iron or [worn] unto the planta^on in New England in the [worn]ovesaid. for Which this shall be

* Solely.

† 5 December, 1621. See page 24.

yo^r Wa[worn] And soe wee bid yo^r lo : hartily farewe[worn]
the 17th of february 1621

sub. Yo^r lo : good freinds.

Lo : President Ea : marshall.

Marq. Hamilton. lo : Digbie

m^r Secretary Calvert

[p. 6] This page contains nothing but the following entry in a hand not positively identified:

[Th]e markes of my Colt is a wheyt streke downe the face
and one white foot

(To be continued.)

YARMOUTH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 189.)

[Since the copying of these records was begun an old volume containing six vital records has been labelled "Volume II", consequently these records are inserted here.]

[Volume II.]

[p. 19] Joseph Hall Junyr and Hannah Millar war marriad the 12th
of febry 1689

Canelm wislow Junyr : marriad the 3^d of January 1689

Josya Thachr and Mary Headg mary^d the 25th of feby 1690 & 91 :

David Okille Junyr and Anna Billes maryd the 10th of march 92

Joseph Crosbe & Mehitable Miller marid in the 16 of Febery . 92 :
1692 : 3 :

Peeter worden and Mary Holly maryd the 20th february 93

[Volume III, continued.]

[p. 17] [worn] and [worn]hs of the Children [worn]dea Hall of yar-
mouth as followeth :

[worn] the son of the above named Elicha and [worn]orne upon the :
twenteth of Novmber 16[worn]

[worn] the son of the above said Elicha & Li[worn] upon : fore-
tenth of June = 1682

[worn]tha : hall the daughtur of the above said Eli[c]h[a] & lidea :
was Borne upon : eaighthenth of desember [worn]

[worn]h : Hall the son of the above said Elicha : & li[worn]orne
upon the : eaighthenth : of January 1[worn]

[worn]ebe : Hall the daughtur of the above said El[worn]ia was
 Borne upon the : twente third da[worn] march : 1689 :

[worn] : Hall the son of the above said Elicha : & Lidea [w]as
 Bor[n]e upon the : foretenth of september : 1691 :

[worn]us : Hall the son of the above said Elicha [worn] Lidea : was
 Borne upon : the sevententh of maye : 1693

[worn]s above said names and Bearths was posted and record[worn] :
 28th day of february : 1694 : 5 : per me John miller T C

[worn]uel Chaec the Son of Thomas Chaec and Saray Chaec of yarmouth
 [worn]e was borne the 22^{nt} dar of January in the year of
 our lord : 170^z

hanah Chaec the daughter of Thomas & Sarah above sd was borne
 one the 24 day [of] May in the year : 1712 :

Pebe Chaise she was born on the 4th : day of July : 1713 :

[worn]chard Chaise was born on the : 3rd day of march : 171^z

[worn]ph Chaise he was born on y^e 17th : day of march 1718 : 19

[worn]itah Chaise she was born on y^e 10th day of april : 1720

[worn]rah Chaise she was born on y^e 20th day in y^e year : 172[worn]

[worn]e Chaise he was born on y^e 22^{nt} day of June : 1729

[worn]mas Chaise : the son of gouell & Jene Chaise : he was born on
 y^e [worn] day of July in y^e year 1728

[worn]ll Chaise he was born on y^e seventh day of february : 1729/30

(To be continued.)

CAPTAIN JOHN GORHAM'S DEPOSITION.

JOHN GORUM seni^r: aged 53 yeares or therabouts Testi-
 fyeth, that some time since; hee being Desired to write a
 memorandum of an Agreement between Jabez Lumbert and
 Zachariah Ryder; Concerning Lands of Abraham Darbey which
 is in the bounds of yarmouth; and they Comitted the writing;
 after it was written to my keeping, some space of time after
 Abraham Darbey Coming from Verginnia; put in on the other
 syde of the Cape and Came to my house; and I told him that
 his brother Jabez Lumbert had sold all rights of Lands in the
 bounds of the Towne of yarmouth; and Abraham Darbey said
 what hee had Done in that respect hee had Given him order soe
 to Doe; and it should be made Good or to that very purpose

Dated this 4th: 1 $\frac{7}{5}$

This was sworne before mee John Aldin Assistant
 [Court Orders, V : 109]

THE SETTLEMENT OF PETER BROWNE'S ESTATE
AND DEEDS OF LAND BELONGING TO
HIS HEIRS.

Transcribed from the Original Records

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

THE material collected relating to Peter Browne's children will require so much space that it has been decided to print in this number some of the most important records, leaving the discussion of these and other records for a later issue.

The deed from Ephraim Tinkham to John Browne should be mentioned here, since it is the only known contemporary record in which the definite statement is made that Ephraim Tinkham's wife Mary was the daughter of Peter Browne. This deed seems to have escaped the notice of other investigators.

[SETTLEMENT OF PETER BROWNE'S ESTATE.*]

In this Court Mary the late wife of Peter Browne deceased who dyed wthout will presented an Inventory of the goods & Chattels of her said husb. upon oath & was referred for Administracon to an other Cour of Assistants to be held the on munday the 11th of Novbr next ensuing.

[Court Orders, I : 33, under date of 28 October, 1633.]

New Plym.

Wynslow Govr.

1633. Novbr 11th At a Court of Assistants held the 11th of Novembr in the ninth yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles by the grace of God King of Engl. Scotl. ffrance & Ireland Defender of the ffaith &c. It was ordered, that

Whereas Peter Browne dyed wthout will having divers children by divers wives his estate amounting to an hundred pownds or thereabouts. It is ordered that Mary his wife who is allowed the Administratrix of the said Peter forthwith pay downe fifteen pownds for the use of Mary Browne daughter of the said Peter to m^r Joh. Done of Plymoth aforesaid . wth whom the said Court have placed the said Mary for nine yeares. At the end whereof the said John is to make good the said fifteen pownds to her or her heires if in case she die. Also it is

* His inventory was printed in Volume I, page 79.

further ordered that the said Widow Mary Browne pay or cause to be paid into the hands of m^r Will Gilson the full sum of fifteen pounds for the use of Prissilla Browne an other of the daughters of the said Peter the Court having placed the said Prissilla wth the said Will for 12 yeares At thend whereof the said Will is to make good the same unto her as her ffathers legacy as aforesaid, & to that end the said John & Will eithe[r] stand bound for other for pformance of the severall paym^{ts} as also for such other pformancs of meet drinke cloathing &c during the said terme as is meet. And for the rest of the estate the widow having two children by the said Peter together wth her owne 3^d it is allowed her for bringing up the said children. Provided that shee discharge w^{ts}soever debts shall be proved to be owing by the said Peter; & the legacies given by the Court. ffor pformance whereof shee & m^r Will Brewster bound in two hundred pounds

[Court Orders, I : 37]

Willam Allen Married to Presilla Browne the 21 of March*

[EPHRAIM TINKHAM TO HENRY SAMPSON.]

October 27th 1647.

Memorand : that Ephraim Tinkeham and mary his wife Doth acknowledge that for and in consideracon of the sum of seven pounds in hand paid by Henry Sampson of Duxborough, hath freely and absolutely bargained and solde unto Henry Sampson aforesaid all that Third pte of that Lott w^{ch} was formly the land of Peter Browne Deceased. dwelling house and buildings in and upon the same wth all and singular the app'tences thereunto belonging (except the third pte of the whole meadow) the said third of the upland lying and being nexte adioyning unto the land of the said Henry Sampson in Duxborough aforemenconed, and all his right title & interest of and into the said Third pte of upland & p'misses and evy pte and pcell thereof. To have and to holde all that third pte of alottm^t of upland housings and all and singular the app'tences thereunto belonging (except before excepted) unto the said Henry Sampson his heires and Assignes for ever to the only pp use and behoofe of him the said Henry Sampson his heires & Asss for ever pvided the said Ephraim Tinkha is doth reserve to his owne use all the fruitetrees and lib^{ty} to remove

* Plym. Col. Births, Marriages and Burials, p. 9, under the year 1649.

them in convenient time, as also use of all the housing for this winter.

[Plym. Col. Deeds, I : 240]

[WILLIAM ALLEN TO JOHN BROWNE.]

appointed to bee Recorded the 8th of June 1650

Memorand That Willam Allin of the Towne of Sandwidg in the Colonie of New Plym. Doth acknowledge y^t for and in Consideration of the sum of five pound to him allredy paid by John Browne of Duxburrow in the Colonie aforsaid weaver; hee hath freely and absolutly barganed and sould unto the said John Browne a pcell of upland beeing about thirty acars bee it more or lesse Lyinge and being in Duxburrow aforsaid next aioyning on the one side unto the land of M^r John Reainer being the one part of three of the land which appertained unto the Children of Peeter Browne brother unto John Browne aforsaid; the said thirty acars of upland with all and singular the apurtenances therunto belonging To have and to hold unto the said John Browne his heaires and assignes for ever unto the onely proper use and behoof of him the said John Browne his heaires and assignes for ever.

And Presilla the wife of the said Willam Allin Did give her free Conccent unto the sale of the aforsaid pcell of land before M^r Willam Collyar asistant

with all the apurtenances therunto belonging*

this sale was made about the last of January 1649*

[Plym. Col. Deeds, I : 309]

[EPHRAIM TINKHAM TO JOHN BROWNE.]

1683

Hinckly Gov^r

To all to whom these p^sents shall Come Ephraim Tinkham seni^r: of the Towne of New Plymouth in New England in America sendeth Greeting Know yee that I the said Ephraim Tinkham, for and in Consideration of the some of four pounds unto mee in hand payed by John Browne of Duxborrow wherwith I Doe acknowledge myself suffiently satisfied Contented and payed, and therof and of every p^te and p^sell; theroff Doe acquitt exownarate, and Discharge the said John Browne his heires executors, and Adminnestrators, and every of them, forever by

* These two entries are on the margin of the page.

these p^rsents; have ffreely and absolutely, bargained and sold allianated enfeofed and Confeirmed, and by these p^rsents Doe bargain sell allianate enfeof and Confeirme, from mee the said Ephraim Tinkham and my heires, unto the said John Browne and his heires and assignes for ever, all that my portion of Meddow land that lyeth and abuteth against the Land of the said John Browne that hee Now Liveth upon in the towne of Duxborrow; it being two acres more or Lesse; The one of which acres, I had in right of Mary my wife, daughter, of Peter Browne deceased, the other I bought of Nathaniel : Morton : of Plymouth with all the appurtenances, and priviledges Therunto belonging; To have and to hold; The said Portion or Parsell of medow land, being two acres more or lesse, with all the appurtenances Priviledges Rights therunto belonging, unto the said John Browne his heires and assignes for ever; To be holden of our Sov^r Lord the Kinge, as of his Manor of East Greenwich, in the Countey of Kent, in the Realme of England in free and Comon Sockage and Not in Capite Nor by Knightes service, nor by the rents and services therof, and therby Doe, and of right accostomed, To the onely proper use and behoffe of him the said John Browne his heires and assignes for ever; with warrantice against all people for ever by these p^rsents; from by or under mee the said Ephraim Tinkham; My heires executors and adminestrators; and every of them Claiming any right title and Interest into the aforsaid p^rmises, or any p^rte or p^rsell therof; and I the said Ephraim Tinkham; Doe by these p^rsents authorise; the said John Browne or his Attorney, to record and Inrole these p^rsents, or Cause them to be recorded, and Inroled; before the Gov^r: or some one of the Majestrates of New Plymouth, for the time being, according to the usuall Manor of recording and Inroling deeds and evidences, in his said Maties Court, of New Plymouth in witnes wherof; I the aforsaid Ephraim Tinkham seni^r: have heerunto, sett my hand & seale this thirteenth Day of August one Thousand six hundred seaventy and nine;

Signed sealed and Delivered Ephraim **E T** Tinkham his Mark
 in the p^rsence of _____ and a (seal)
 Easter Tinkham her **E** mark;
 Willam Crow;

This Deed was acknowledged to be the ffree acte and Deed of Ephraim Tinkham, above Mencioned; and alsoe Mary his wife, Gave her full Consent; to it the 8th of october 1679

Before mee William Bradford Assistant;

[Plym. Col. Deeds, V : 197]

[WILLIAM SNOW TO JOHN BROWNE.]

To all to whom these p'sents shall Willam Snow of the Towne of Bridgewater in the Collonie of New Plymouth in New England in America husbandman sendeth Greet &

Know yee that I the said Willam Snow for and in Consideration of the sume of five pounds Sterling to mee in hand payed by John Browne of the Towne of Duxburrew in the Collonie aforesaid yeoman wherwith I Doe acknowledge my selfe to be fully Satisfyed Contented and payed, and therof and of every p'te and p'sell therof Doe acquitt exownarate and Discharge the said John Browne his heires Executors and Adminnestrators and every of them for ever by these p'sents have ffreely and absolutely bargained and sold allianated enfeoffed and Confeirmed and by these p'sents Doe bargaine sell allianate enfeoffe and Confeirme from mee the said William Snow and my heires unto the said John Browne and his heires and assignes for ever; all that my one third p'te of five twenty acree lotts of Land which is thirty three acres; and the one third p'te of one acree more or lesse; which were the Lotts formerly of Peter Browne Deceased lying and being in the aforesaid Towne of Duxburrew; and are betwixt the Lands formerly of William Palmers Deceased; and of henery Sampson and alsoe one acree of Meddow be it more or lesse lying against the said Land with all and singulare the appurtenances and priviledges therunto belonging, and all my right title and Interest of and into the said p'mises and every p'te, and p'sell therof; To have and to hold all that my aforesaid one third p'te of five twenty acree lotts of land, which is thirty three acres & one third p'te of an acree More or lesse; and one acree of Meddow more or lesse lying as aforesaid, with all and singulare the appurtenances and priviledges To the said p'mises belonging and every p'te and p'sell therof; unto the said John Browne his heires and assignes for ever; To be holden of our Sov^r Lord the Kinge, as of his Manor of East Greenwich in the Countey of Kent within the Realme of England, in ffree and Comon Soccage; and not in Capite nor by Knightes service Nor by the rents and services therof and therby Due & of Right accustomed; To the onely proper us and behoofe of him the said John Browne his heires and assignes for ever; with warrantice against all people whatsoever for ever by these p'sents, from by or under mee the said Willam Snow my heires executors and adminnestrators and every of them, Claiming any Right title or Interest of or into the aforesaid p'mises with their appurtenances or any p'te or p'sell therof;

And I the said Willam Snow Doe by these p^rsents Authorise the said John Browne; either by himselfe or his attorney to record or Inrole these p^rsents or cause them to be recorded or Inroled before the Gov^r: of the Collonie aforsaid, or some one of his Assistants for the time being according to the usuall manor of recording and Inroling of Deeds and evidences in his said Ma^ties Court of New Plymouth aforsaid In witnes wherof I the aforsaid Willam Snowe have heerunto sett my hand and seale This seaventh Day of November one Thousand six hundred seaventy and Nine 1679

Signed sealed and Delivered
in the p^rsence of David Aldin
Jonathan Aldin;

William Snow his Marke
and a (seale)

Willam Snow; with the Consent of Rebeckah his wife acknowledged this Deed this 7 of the 9 month before mee;

John Aldin Assistant

[Plym. Col. Deeds, V : 197, 198]

[WILLIAM SNOW TO EPHRAIM TINKHAM.]

1668

Prence Gov^r :

To all to whome these p^rsents shall Come; William Snow of the Towne of Bridgewater in the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth in New England in America husbandman sendeth Greeting

Know yea That the said William Snow for and in Consideration of a valluable sume of mony to him alreddy payed by Ephraim Tinkham of the Towne of New Plymouth in the Jurisdiction aforsaid wherwith hee Doth acknowledg himselfe to be sufficiently satisfied Contented and fully payed and therof and of every p^rte and p^rsell therof Doth acquite exownarate and Discharge the said Ephraim Tinkham his heires exequitors and adminestrators and every of them for ever by these p^rsents hath freely and absolutely bargained and sold allianated enfeofed and confeirmed; and by these p^rsents Doth bargaine sell allianate enfeofe and Confeirme; from him the aforsaid William Snow and his heires unto the aforsaid Ephraim Tinkham his heires and assignes for ever all that his one third p^rte of one whole share of upland and meddow lands Devided and undevided lying in or about the now Called Towne of Dartmouth of the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth aforsaid The which aforsaid one third p^rte was of or Did belonge unto one share of a tract of Lands which was graunted by the honored Court of the Jurisdiction aforsaid unto Peter Browne; as a Purchaser or oldcomer

[WILLIAM ALLEN TO HENRY TUCKER.]

1670

Prince Gov^r:

Know all men by these p^rsents That I Willam Allin of the Towne of Sandwich in the Jurisdiction of Plymouth in New England in America plantor : Doe acknowledge that for and in consideration of a valluable sume : viz : the sume of fifteen pounds to mee alreddy payed by henary Tucker somtimes of Unkatey alias Milton in the Jurisdiction of the Massachusetts plantor ; wherwith I the said Willam Allin Doe acknowledge my selfe to be fully satisfied contented and fully payed ; and therof and of every p^rte and p^rsell therof Doe exownarate acquitt and Discharge the said henary Tucker him his heires exequitors and adminestrators for ever by these p^rsents have ffreely and absolutely bargained allianated and sold enfeofed and Confeirmed and by these p^rsents Doe bargaine sell enfeofe and Confeirme ; from mee the said Willam Allin and my heires To him the said henary Tucker and his heires and assignes for ever ; all that my one third p^rte of one whole share of upland and meddow land Devided and undevided being in or about the now called Towne of Dartmouth in the Jurisdiction of Plymouth aforsaid ; the which aforsaid one third p^rte of Lands was off : or Did belong unto one whole share or Tract of Lands which was graunted by the honored Court of the Jurisdiction of Plymouth aforsaid unto Peter Browne Deceased, as a Purchaser or oldcomer of the said Jurisdiction the which aforsaid Township or Tract of land called Dartmouth was bought and of Woosamiquen and Wamsutta Indians Sachems as by a writing Dated November the twenty ninth one Thousand six hundred fifty and two, may and Doth appeer, with all and singulare the appurtenances belonging unto one third p^rte of one whole share of the said Tract of land ; and all my title right Interest and proprietie of and into the same and every p^rte and p^rsell therof ; To have and to hold the aforsaid one third p^rte off one whole share of upland and meddow lands Devided and alreddy loted for ; and That which is not Devided nor loted for ; lying and being as aforsaid within or about the said Towne of Dartmouth with all and singulare the appurtenances to the said p^rmises belonging : and every p^rte and p^rsell therof ; unto him the said henary Tucker hee his heires and assignes for ever ; unto the onely proper use and behoofe of him the said henary Tucker hee his heires and assignes for ever ; To be holden of our Sov^r: Lord the King as of his manor of East Greenwich in the Countey of Kent in the Realme of England ; in ffree and Comon Soccage

and not in Capite nor by Knight service nor by the rents and services therof and therby Due and of right accustomed; with warrantice against all people for ever by these p'sents that by my right or title might claime any right or title of or into the said p'mises or any p'te or p'sell therof whatsoever; and I the said Willam Allin; Doe heerby Covenant promise and graunt to and with the said henary Tucker that it shalbe lawfull for him: either by himselfe or his attorney to record and enrowle these p'sents or to cause them to be recorded and enrowled in his Ma^{ties} Court att att Plymouth aforesaid before the Gov^r: for the time being or any other majestrate of that Jurisdiction according to the usuall manor of recording and enrowling Deeds and evidences of lands: in such Cases provided. In Witnes wherof I the said Willam Allin have heerunto sett my hand and seale this fifteenth Day of Aprill one thousand six hundred sixty and nine 1669

Signed sealed and Delivered
in the p'sence of John Doane
Edward Perrey

Willam Allin and a (seale)

This above written Deed acknowledged the Day and time of sealing and Delivering by the p'sons Concerned heerin before mee

John ffreeman Assistant

[Plym. Col. Deeds, III : 159]

MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 75.)

[p. 57] M^r John Morton Deceased: March: the 20th 171⁸: In the 68th year of his age

Jacob Tomson Esquire Deceased September the first: 1726: In the sixty fifth year of his age

Ruth Cob the wife of Ebenezer Cob Deceased october the 7th 1726 in the twenty fifth year of her age

Ichabod Southworth the son of Leiut Nathaniel Southworth and of Jael his Wife Deceased November the: 23rd 1727: In the seventeenth year of his age

Joanna Vaughan the wife of Capt Joseph Vaughan Deceased April the: 11th: 171(*) aged sixty one years

Hannah Vaughan the Daughter of Capt Joseph Vaughan Deceased: April y^e: 6th: 1715 In the Twenty seventh year of her age

* "1718" according to the copy made prior to 1855.

- Josiah Vaughan the son of Capt Joseph Vaughan Deceased : February y^e : 13th : 172 $\frac{3}{4}$ In the Twenty sixth year of his age
- Elisabeth Hacket the wife of John Hacket Deceased April : the : 17th : 1728 In the forty second year of her age
- Hope Cob the wife of Deacon Jonathan Cob Deceased July the : 26th : 1728
- Deacon Jonathan Cob Deceased August the : 5th : 1728
- Mercy Redding the wife of Ebenezer Redding Deceased March : 31st : 1728 In the forty third year of her age
- Ebenezer Tinkham the son of Seth Tinkham and of Mary his Wife Deceased May the : 16th : 1729 : In the second year of his age
- Seth Howland Deceased october the : 26th : 1729 : In the fifty second year of his age
- Deacon John Bennet Deceased March : 21st : 171 $\frac{3}{4}$: Aged seventy six years
- Deborah Bennet Widdow of Deacon John Bennet Deceased March : 22nd : 171 $\frac{3}{4}$ Aged seventy years
- James Lebaron the son of James Lebaron and of Martha his wife Deceased September the : 16th : 1725 : In the fourth year of his age
- John Holmes Deceased February the : 14th 173 $\frac{3}{8}$ In the 36th : year of his age
- Mr Daniel Vaughan Deceased April the 3rd : 1730 aged about : 75 : years
- Patience Tinkham the wife of Samuel Tinkham sen^r Deceased November the : 4th : 1727 : In the : 35th year of her age
- Mr Isaac Howland senior Deceased March the 9th : 172 $\frac{3}{4}$
- Mr^s Elisabeth Howland widdow of Mr Isaac Howland senior Deceased october y^e : 29th : 1727 In the : 75th : year of her age
- Ichabod Standish the son of Ichabod Standish and of Phebe his wife Deceased April the : 27th : 1731 : Aged seventeen months
- Elinor Fuller the wife of Jonathan Fuller Deceased September y^e : 28th : 172(*) In the 38th : year of her age
- Mr Isaac Pierce Senior Deceased February the : 28th : 1731/2 In the Seventy first year of his age
- [p. 58] December 23rd : 1726 John Durfey of Middleborough and Katherine Mortamore of Taunton were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- May the : 18th : 1727 : Benjamin Durfey Late of Freetown now Resident in the town of Middleborough and Hannah Joslin widdow of Taunton were Married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- September : 5th : 1727 Jonathan Ingley and Martha Reed both of the Town of Middlebo.ough were Married : by me Benjamin Ruggles
- October 13th 1726 : Then Married John Nelson and Abiah Leonard both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication : Peter Thacher

* "1720" according to the copy.

- November : 14th : 1726 : Then Samuel Fuller and Silence Short both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication were married by me Peter Thacher
- November : 30th : 1726 : Then Henry Thomas and Ruth Nelson both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication were married : by me Peter Thacher
- January : 19th : 172 $\frac{7}{8}$: Then Gershom Cob and Melatiah Smith both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication : were married pr Peter Thacher
- May : 2 : 1727 : Gershom Samson and Bethiah Clark both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication : and consent of parents were married pr Peter Thacher
- June : 21st : 1727 : Capt William Kannady and M^{rs} Elisabeth Eaton : After Lawfull Publication : in : Middleboro and plympton : were Then Married by me Peter Thacher
- January : 25th : 172 $\frac{3}{4}$: John Drew Jun^r and Susanna Bennet both of Middleborough : after Lawfull publication : were married : pr Peter Thacher
- December : 14th : 1727 : Francis Eaton of Kingstone and Thankfull Alden of Middleborough after Lawfull publication were married pr Peter Thacher
- March : 28th : 1728 : Then Nathaniel Hooper of Bridgewater and Elisabeth Tinkham of Middleborough after Lawfull publication : were married : by me Peter Thacher
- Feb : 29th : 172 $\frac{3}{4}$: Ebenezer Barrows and Sarah Pratt : both of Middleborough were married : by me Peter Thacher
- June : 12 : 1728 : Then Edward Washburn of Bridgewater and Elisabeth Richmond of Middleborough were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- June : 18 : 1728 : Then Ambrose Braley and Mary Renolds both of the town of Middleborough were Married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- June : 26 : 1728 : Then James Wescoat and Mary Dikens both of the town of Middleborough were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- [p. 59] September : 5th : 1728 : Deacon John Hacket of Middleborough and M^{rs} Elisabeth Richmond of Taunton were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- December : 13th : 1728 : Ebenezer Peirce of Middleborough : and Mary Hoskins of Taunton was married : by me Benjamin Ruggles
- March : 27th : 1729 : Josiah Hascol and Sarah Brayley both of the town of Middleborough were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- April the : 9th : 1729 : Joseph Leonard and Hannah Pratt : both of the Tow[n] of Middleborough were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- August : 21 : 1729 : Then William Hack of Taunton and Mary Tinkham of[f] Middleborough were married by me Benjamin Ruggles

- September : 10 : 1729 Then Eleazer Pratt Jun^r & Hannah Short both of Middleborough were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- September : 10 : 1729 : Then Joshua Coombs of Rochester and Elizabeth Pratt of Middleborough were married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- November : 20th : 1729 : Joshua Peirce of Pembroke and Hopstill Holloway of Middleborough was married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- December : 25 : 1729 Nathan Holloway of Taunton and Elizabeth Makepeace of Middleborough was married by me Benjamin Ruggles
- May : 24 : 1728 : M^r Seth Howland and Elizabeth Delano both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication were marry^d by Peter Thacher
- Sept : 10 : 1728 : Ebenezer Reddinn and Joanna Vaughan both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication were marry^d by Peter Thacher
- Oct : 31 : 1728 : David Miller and Susanna Holmes both of Middleborough were marry^d by Peter Thacher
- Dec : 4 : 1728 : Ignatius Elmes and Sarah Bennet both of Middleborough after Lawfull publication and consent of parents were marry^d by Peter Thacher
- Dec : 18 : 1728 : Jonathan Snow of Bridgewater and Sarai Soul of Middleborough were marry^d by Peter Thacher
- Jan : 30 : 1728 : William Hooper of Bridgewater and Lois Thomas : of Middleborough after Lawfull publication and consent of parents were marry^d by Peter Thacher
- 1729 : ap : ult : Thomas Wood and Hannah Alden both of Middleborough were marry^d by Peter Thacher

[p. 61] Mary Wood the Wife of Elnathan Wood Deceased May y^e 30th : 1733 Aged 48 years

- [p. 76] Elisabeth Tinkham the daughter of Shubeal Tinkham and of Pricilla his wife was born : October : 1 1719
- Joseph Tinkham the Son of Shubeal Tinkham and of Pricilla his wife was born : decem^r : 16 1721
- Mary Wood the daughter of John Wood and of Sarah his wife was born February : 2 . 1718/9
- Thankfull Wood the daughter of Jabez Wood : and of Hannah his wife was born September : 28 1722
- John Darling the Son of John Darling and of Elisabeth his Wife was born : May 26 1722
- Patience Simmons the daughter of Aaron Simmons : & of Martha his Wife was born February : 21 1722 : 3
- Deborah Bennet the daughter of Peter Bennet : & of Pricilla his Wife was born : January : 29 1722/3

(To be continued.)

THE WILL AND INVENTORY OF JOHN TURNER,
SENIOR.*

Transcribed from the Original Documents,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

JOHN TURNER, Senior, or "the Elder" as he was frequently called, married Mary³ Brewster (Jonathan,² William¹), 10 November, 1645.† He died at Scituate, probably in 1697, shortly before 20 May, 1697, the day his inventory was taken. His will was dated 4 March, 1695, and proved 28 June, 1697. The will, the record of its approval, and the inventory are found in the Plymouth County Probate Records, Volume I, pages 266 to 270 inclusive, but the copies here given were made directly from the original documents, still preserved in the probate files. The will is in very bad condition. It is fourteen and three-fourths by eighteen and seven-eighths inches in size.

In the Name of God Amen This Fourth day of March in the year of our Lord God One thousand Six hundred Ninety & Five And in the Eighth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord William the Third by the Grace of God of Great Brittain France & Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c I John Turner Sen^r; of the Town of Scituate In the County of Plymoth In the Province of the Massachusetts Bay In His Majesties Territory & Dominion of New-England Husbandman being weak in body but in sound and Perfect mind and Memory (thanks be to God therefore) Do make Ordaine & Declare this my last will and Testament. Hereby revoking and renouncing all Wills and Testaments whatsoever by me made heretofore. First & Principally I commend my Soul to Almighty God through the merits of my onely Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ And my body to the Earth to be decently buryed at the discretion of my Executors hereafter to be named hoping for a blessed Resurrection And as to my Temporal Estate After my due debts paid & funeral charges defraied I dispose thereof as Followeth—Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Son Jonathan Turner a piece of Land lying below the Road which pas-

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† Mayflower Descendant, I: 8.

seth by the meeting house up the North-River in Scituate abovementioned (on part of which said land his the said Jonathan Turners Dwelling house & barn do stand) being a part of my homestead or homelot and Extending in length from the meadow or marshland sometime of John James at the lower or Southerly end; To the aforesaid Road or high way at the Upper or Northerly end; And in breadth being twenty & one Rodds throughout the whole length thereof; Bounded on the Westerly si[de] by the Westerly bound [line o]f my said homelot or hom[es]tead; And on the Easterly side by a line beginning at the aforesaid Meadow or Marshland and thence runing over the hollow of a Rock and thence to a little Red-oak-tree standing near to the aforesaid Road and from the said Tree directly to the said Road Together with my ten-acre Lot at Berstow's Hill and all that my great lot lying near unto the aforesaid Hill being the third lot in Division and lying next to the lot Sometime of Master Nicolas Baker or to the lot laid out on his right To Have & to Hold the said three parcels of land So above bounded and described To him the said Jonathan Turner His heires and Assignes for Ever. Item To my Son Joseph Turner I have formerly given & by deed Confirmed a part of my aforesad home-Lot lying above the aforesaid Road and being the Northeasterly corner or part of my said homelot and in quantity Twenty acres on which parcel of land The said Joseph Turner Dwelling house and barn now standeth And I do by this my last Will & Testament confirm the gift of the said twenty acres of land to him the said Joseph His heires & Assignes for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my son Ezekiel Turner the full one halfe part of all my lands and Right of & in Lands lying at Middleborough together with all the Rights Priviledges & Appurtenances to the said half belonging or any wise appertaining To Have & to Hold the said half part Appurtenances & Priviledges to him the said Ezekiel his heirs & assignes for Ever And the other full halfe part of my lands and right of lands yet undivided (at Middleborough aforesaid) with all the Rights Priviledges & Appurtenances to the said other half belonging or in any wise appertaining I do by this my last Will and Testament give and bequeath unto my Six Grandchildren hereafter named that is to say Isaac Turner, John James, Thomas Prince, Margret Turner, Alice Prince, And the Eldest Child of my son Ezekiel Turner to be equally divided betwixt my said Six Grandchildren to each a like part share & share like To Have & to Hold to each one his and her part to him & her and to his and her Heirs and Assignes for

Ever — Ite[m] I have formerly given to my Son John Turner and to him by deed Confirmed a parcel of land part of my homelot aforesaid upon which said Parcel his sometime dwelling house stands lying above the said Road and bounded westerly by my westerly line aforesaid And I do by this my last Will & Testament Confirme the said parcel of land (as it is bounded and more fully described by Deed) To him the said John Turner his heires & assignes for Ever. Item To my Son Elisha Turner I have formerly given and by deed Confirmed my Tanyard & Fatts And do by these Presents Will the Enjoyment thereof and of all the Contents of the said deed to him the said Elisha Turner his heires and Assignes For Ever. Item I give & bequeath to my son Amos Turner my Ten acre Lot of upland lying & being about halfe a mile from the Upper End of the homestead or lot sometime of John Briant Sen^r: And my lot at Newfound-marsh lying for Eight acres as also the sum of Five Pounds out of my Stock in the Tan-yard (now the Tan-yard of my Son Elisha as abovesaid) Provided there be at the Instant of my decease so much Stock of mine in the Tan-yard abovesaid as the said sum of five Pounds To Have & to hold the said Two lots as abovedescribed to him the said Amos Turner his heires and Assignes For Ever. Item I give unto my Daughter Grace Christophers One feather-bed with bed clothes pillowes bolsters and all other Appurtenances as it is Commonly used. Item I give and bequeath by this my last Will & Testament unto my dearly beloved wife Mary All my household Goods of what kind soever (not before in this my Will disposed) To Use and Enjoy the same during the whole term of her Natural life (She remaining my Widdow) And after her the said Mary's Decease or Remarriage All the said household goods to be Equally Divided betwixt my four Daughters; That is to say Lydia Mary Ruth & Grace; Also my Will is that my wife Mary aforesaid Shall have the whole use and Income of my whole Remaining homestead That is to say My Dwelling house with all the Out-houseing and land below the abovesaid way or Road (and not otherwise disposed by this my Will) whether Upland or Meadow or of whatsoever other kind or by whatsoever other Name or title it be called or kno[wn As] also [all y^e Cattell & husbandry] Implemen[ts] To Enjoy the Said [living Cattell] & Implem[ents] to her [y^e said Mary] During [y^e] w[hole t]e[rm of] her Natural life (She [Cont]inuing my widdow as abovesaid) And my Will is that after the Decease or Remarriage of the said Mary my wife Whichsoever shall first happen My Son Benjamin Turner Shall have

Hold Possess and Enjoy the said Liveing in all the parts a[nd] Particulars thereof (as above limited and described to my wife, To Him the said Benjamin and the heires of his body [l]awfully begotten And to his and their Sole Proper Use and behoofe For Ever. He the said Benjamin paying therefore [t]he sum of Ten Pounds in the Space of Two Years after the Decease of my said Wife Mary begining or to begin from his fi[rs]t Entrance on the said living to Possess the same Unto my Son Ezekiel Turner or his Heires or Assignes That is to Say Five P[ou]nds yearly dureing the aforesaid Space of Two yeares And further my Will is that all other my Estate not by this my last will an[d] Testament above disposed whatever it be or wheresoever it be found shall be Equally Divided amongst all my Children ab[o]vementioned. And of this my last Will & Testament I do Constitute Appoint & Declare my two Sons Jonathan an[d] Joseph Joint Executors allowing their Necessary and Reasonable Charges out of the whole Estate And In Sign of all [a]nd Singular the Premises I the said John Turner have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year first abo[ve] written

Signed Sealed Published & Declared The mark & seal
to be the Last Will & Testament of of John Turner (Seal)
John Turner Senior

In the Presence of us
Deodat Lawson
Deborah Lawson
Ephraim Little.

[*On the back of the Will.*]

Memorandum that on y^e 22th day [of] J[une] 1697

Before W^m Bradford Esq^r Judge &c Appeared m^{rs} Deborah Law[so]n one of y^e Witnesses to y^e within written Will and made oath that She was present and Saw and heard John Turner sen^r the Testator within named Sign Seal and declare the within written Instrument to be his last Will and Testament and that to y^e best of her Judgment he was of sound disposing mind and memory when he did y^e same and that She Subscribe her name thereto as a witness and saw m^r Deodat Lawson & Ephraim Little jun^r Set to their hands as witnesses also.

Attest Sam^l Sprague Register

Also upon y^e 28th of y^e same June before y^e sd Judge Ephraim Little another of sd Witnesses made oath that he was present & saw & heard John Turner y^e sd Testator signe Seal

& declare sd Instrument to be his last will & Testament and that to y^e best of his Judgment he was of Sound mind & memory when he did y^e same

Attest Sam^l: Sprague Registr

An Inventory of the goods Chattles and Credits of John Turner senior late of Sittuate deceased taken by us whose names are hereunto Subscribed May 20 : 1697

	£	s	d
To wearing Apparrell	06	00	00
To Moneys	24	10	00
To Money due to the Estate	65	13	04
To Books	01	00	00
To a Trundle bedsted bed boulder Rug 2 sheets 2 blankets	04	00	00
To one feather bed boulder 2 pillows 2 blankets 2 sheets } one Coverlet	06	06	00
To one bedstead Curtains & valens	02	15	00
To 4 Cushings	00	07	00
To a Cupbord	01	10	00
To a Table and fourm	00	16	00
To seaven Chaires	00	13	00
To Earthen ware a spinning wheele and wooden Mortar	01	04	00
To a gun amunition and looking glass	01	16	00
By a feather bed boulders and pillows a blanket Rug and } sheets one paire	06	03	00
By a wasted Rug 2 Coverlets and one Blankets	05	10	00
By five payre of Course sheets	03	05	00
More by five sheets	02	04	03
Table linnen and pillowberes	02	10	00
By six bushells of Corn	01	04	00
By home made Cloath	06	10	00
More by home made Cloath	00	16	00
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	144	12	07
The totall sum is	216	09	07
By three Chests a small Table and fourm	00	15	00
By a Bedstead and stocke cards	00	05	00
To six bags	00	08	00
To flax and hemepe and tallow	00	17	00
To lining and woollen yearn	00	10	00
To pillobers and towels	01	01	00
To one whele one tub and trays	01	00	00
To one iron pot andierns and ould iron	02	14	00
To bras	02	15	00
To Lumber	01	07	00
To pewter	03	14	00
To sheepe and lambs	11	14	00
To six Cowes	18	00	00

To one oxe and yong catl	07 00 00
To swine	01 06 00
To hors flesh	03 00 00
To a cart and whele and timber chain	02 00 00
To stock of leather in y ^e tan yard	12 10 00
To 2 hives of Bees 2 payles hour glas and can	00 14 00
To old iron and crank of grindston	00 12 00
The funerall Charges	03 05 00
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	71 17 00
What the estate is indebted is	00 09 04
The funerall charges are not aded in this sum	

Nathanel Turner
Israell Hobart

Memorand — before William Bradford Esq^r Judge of Probate on y^e 22th day of June 1697 Appeared Jonathan Turner & Joseph Turner Executors of y^e last Will of John Turner sen^r late of Scituate deceased and made oath that y^e above Written is a true Inventory of all & Singular y^e Goods chattels & credits of said Deceased so far as they know & that if more shall come to their knowledge they will cause it to be Added.

Attest Sam^l Sprague Register

This Inventory is Recorded in y^e 269th & 270th pages of y^e first Book of County Records for Wills &c at Plimouth July 24th 1697 : pr Sam^l Sprague Regist^r

THE DEPOSITION OF JOHN² SOULE (GEORGE¹).

JOHN SOUL of Duxboro aged about Seventy foure Years; Testifieth and Saith y^t upwards of forty Years agoe, he was with y^e men that laid out y^e Gurnet Marshes, into lotts, and that att time there was not any meadoe or Marsh land on y^e Southerly Side of y^e Stage beach between y^e s^d beach and y^e sea, w^{ch} bore any grass or not to y^e quantity of a Cock for Several Years, and that the first lot of Marsh land was laid out on y^e Northerly Side of y^e Said Stage beach, y^e s^d beach being reputed to be y^e Southerly bounds of y^e s^d lott :

The oath of S^d John Soule taken this 8th day of March 1705/6 before us

John Cushing Ju ^r .	} Justices of y ^e peace
Joseph otis	

Entered March y^e 8th
1705/6 : and recorded
pr Tho^s Little reg^r,
[Plymouth County Deeds, VII : 35]

THE MAYFLOWER GENEALOGIES.

STEPHEN HOPKINS AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Compiled from Original Sources,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

“So ten of our men were appointed who were of themselves willing to vndertake it, to wit, Captaine Standish, Maister Carver, William Bradford, Edward Winsloe, Iohn Tilley, Edward Tilley, Iohn Howland, and three of London, Richard Warren, Steeuen Hopkins and Edward Dotte.”

“m^r Steven Hopkins, & Elizabeth his wife; and . 2 . children, caled Giles, and Constanta a doughter, both by a former wife. And . 2 . more by this wife, caled Damaris, . 8 . & Oceanus, the last was borne at sea. And . 2 . servants, called Edward Doty, and Edward Litster.”

“m^r Hopkins, and his wife are now both dead; but they lived above . 20 . years in this place, and had one sone, and . 4 . doughters borne here. Ther sone became a seaman, & dyed at Barbadoes, one daughter dyed here . and . 2 . are married. one of them hath . 2 . children, and one is yet to mary. So their Increase, which still survive, are . 5 . But his sone Giles is married, . 4 . and hath . 4 . children. . 12 . his doughter Constanta, is also married, and hath . 12 . children all of them living, and one of them married.”

All that we know of Stephen Hopkins and his family before they arrived at Cape Cod is contained in these brief statements from Mourt's Relation and Bradford's History.* He came from London, had been married twice, had two children by each wife and brought two servants. These meagre facts are the only ones yet discovered which are supported by absolutely trustworthy contemporary evidence. Much speculation regarding his early life has been indulged in by various writers, but all have failed to produce from contemporary sources conclusive evidence of the soundness of their claims.

Before proceeding to a chronological record of the events in Stephen Hopkins's life after the arrival at Cape Cod, it will be well to consider more particularly the statements of Bradford quoted at the beginning of this article. A critical study of his

* Mayflower Descendant, I: 10, 13, 14; III: 46.

words in connection with the will of Stephen Hopkins and the record of the division of his personal estate among his unmarried daughters, and other contemporary evidence, has convinced me that the Damaris Hopkins who came in the Mayflower died young, that the second of the four daughters said to have been born at Plymouth was named Damaris for her deceased sister, and that it was this second Damaris who, in the latter part of 1646 or early in 1647, became the wife of Jacob² Cooke (*Francis*¹).

If this theory is accepted all known records can be perfectly harmonized. On any other theory a number of contemporary records are found to be contradictory and it becomes necessary to prove that at least part of them are incorrect.

For more than three years I have sought for evidence to prove that Bradford made an error in his account of the Hopkins family, for it is not a pleasant task to show descendants of Jacob Cooke that his wife Damaris did not come in the Mayflower, and I hoped that the idea that she must have been younger than Deborah, conveyed by the terms of her father's will, might be explained away. But the more I studied the records the more thoroughly convinced I became that the Mayflower Damaris died young.

I was first impressed by the order in which Stephen Hopkins mentioned his four unmarried daughters in his will.* They are three times named, and every time it is in this order: Deborah, Damaris, Ruth, Elizabeth. Again, when Caleb Hopkins and Myles Standish divided the personal estate † among these daughters they were named in the same order. Why did both the father and the brother name Deborah first if Damaris was the older?

In Bradford's "view of the decreasing, & Increasing" of the passengers he mentions, either by name or in a way which makes identification positive, all of the children on the ship with the exception of Damaris Hopkins and Oceanus Hopkins. Since the name of Oceanus does not appear in the Division of Cattle in 1627 ‡ it is certain that he died before that time. If the Mayflower Damaris was the one who married Jacob Cooke and had at least one child before 1651 why did she alone of all the Mayflower passengers fail to receive credit for her share of the "Increasing?"

Three ways of explaining this failure to make any mention of Damaris have been suggested. The first and most reason-

* *Mayflower Descendant*, II: 12.

† *Ibid.*, IV: 114.

‡ *Ibid.*, I: 151.

able one seems to be that she as well as Oceanus had died very young. The second is that Bradford forgot that she was a passenger and counted her as one of the four daughters he said were born at Plymouth. The third, and least probable, explanation is that he entirely overlooked her, although he had strictly followed out his plan and had taken every family "in order as they lye." At the end of his account of the passengers he mentions the two servants brought by Hopkins. If it is claimed that he forgot them until the list was completed it only strengthens the argument that Damaris was neither forgotten nor misplaced. He could hardly have discovered the omission of the servants without noticing any error in regard to Damaris.

Bradford's distinct statement that Hopkins had four daughters born at Plymouth, of whom one had died (evidently unmarried), one was still single, one was married and had no children living, and one was married and had two living children, must be accepted as correct unless positive proof to the contrary is produced. In writing of the children and grandchildren of Stephen and Elizabeth Hopkins born after the arrival at Plymouth, he says: "So their Increase, which still survive, are . 5 . ." This number he also sets in the margin. (It is important to bear in mind that by "Increase" in this connection Bradford invariably means children or grandchildren born on this side of the ocean, after the arrival at Plymouth.) He says that Hopkins had a son and four daughters born at Plymouth, and that one of these daughters had borne two children who were still living, also that the son and one of the daughters had died. Each one of the five children "borne here" is specifically mentioned, and it is impossible to believe that Bradford intentionally included the Mayflower Damaris among the four daughters.

If she was entirely forgotten who were the four daughters born at Plymouth? Four unmarried daughters, Deborah, Damaris, Ruth and Elizabeth, are mentioned in Stephen's will. It is evident from this will that there were no other unmarried daughters living in 1644, that the only married daughter then alive was Constance, the wife of Nicholas Snow, and that there were no children of a deceased daughter. If, therefore, Damaris of the Mayflower married Jacob Cooke, and there were four other daughters born at Plymouth who was the fourth one, and why does not some trace of her appear in her father's will or some other contemporary record? As not the slightest hint of such another daughter has been found and the records almost

conclusively prove that there was no such daughter we may safely discard the third explanation suggested.

The second explanation offered, that Bradford made a mistake and counted the Mayflower Damaris as one of the four daughters born at Plymouth, is more reasonable, but still it requires us to assume that he made an error in a matter where he would naturally be expected to be particular, and credited Stephen Hopkins with an increase too large by one. We must also assume that the father and brother of the Damaris of the will had some reason, unknown to us, for putting the oldest of four unmarried daughters in a secondary place instead of in her natural position. We must also believe that she was not married until an age, twenty-seven or more, which was for those times very unusual, and that she bore children unusually late in life.

Let us now consider the explanation which was suggested first by myself, over three years ago. Every one who has had any experience in the examination of old records has found many cases where a child died young and another child born later was given the same name. In some of these cases no mention of the death of the first child nor of the birth of the second is found on the records, but positive proof of the facts has been discovered. The absence of any record of the early death of the Mayflower Damaris or of the birth at Plymouth of another Damaris can not therefore be considered as proof that these events did not take place, especially when we remember that the vital records of Plymouth prior to 1648 have been lost.

Since Oceanus was born on the Mayflower, between 6/16 September and 11/21 November, 1620, the Mayflower Damaris must have been born at least a year earlier and was probably born before the year 1619. The record of the Division of Cattle, 22 May /1 June, 1627, mentions Damaris, Caleb and Deborah. Since Caleb was named as the executor of his father's will he was probably of age at the time it was made, 6/16 June, 1644. He certainly was twenty-one on 28 October /7 November, 1644, when he deeded land to his brother Gyles.* The appointment of Myles Standish as "overseer" of Stephen's will does not necessarily indicate that Caleb was then under age, since it was very common for overseers to be appointed if the widow,† or a daughter, or a son who had lately reached his majority, was chosen executor, and Caleb certainly was not over

* Plym. Col. Deeds, I: 182.

† See Anthony Snow's will in this issue.

twenty-three when the will was made. It is probable, therefore, that he was born before 6/16 June, 1623, and as Oceanus was born late in 1620 and his mother doubtless suffered severely with the rest in that terrible first winter which proved fatal to so many, including probably the infant Oceanus, it is altogether unlikely that another child was born between Oceanus and Caleb. Even if Deborah was born before Caleb it is not probable that the date was earlier than the first part of 1622. The placing of her name after Caleb's in the Division of Cattle does not give us any clue to their relative ages, as it was very common in legal documents to name first all the sons, even infants, then all the daughters.

As already shown, the Mayflower Damaris must have been born early in 1619, or before. If, therefore, she was living when her father made his will she was at least three years, and was probably more than seven years, older than Deborah. The four daughters, Deborah, Damaris, Ruth and Elizabeth, were then unmarried and it is certainly a very unusual case if the father three times in his will placed a younger sister first. The will contains no intimation of favoritism towards Deborah, and as she was not married until nearly two years later it is not reasonable to suppose that approaching marriage led Stephen to name her first. If it were not known that a daughter Damaris came in the Mayflower no one would doubt that the Damaris of the will was younger than her sister Deborah.

The marriage of Jacob Cooke to Damaris Hopkins did not take place until after 10/20 June, 1646,* and if his wife came on the Mayflower she must have been over twenty-seven years of age, an unusually late marriage for a period when a girl was far more likely to marry at seventeen, and she was unusually old at the birth of her daughter Ruth, 17/27 January, 1665/6.†

It only remains to show that the four unmarried daughters mentioned in Stephen Hopkins' will in 1644 could have been the four mentioned by Bradford in 1651 as born at Plymouth.

Deborah² Hopkins married Andrew Ring at Plymouth on 23 April /3 June, 1646,‡ and we do not find any record of a child born to them until the birth of Elizabeth, at Plymouth, 19/29 April, 1652.§ This daughter Elizabeth is mentioned in Andrew's will || as deceased, and the other daughters were clearly younger than she. William Ring is called "elder son"

* Mayflower Descendant, II: 27.

† Plym. Col. B. M. B., p. 36.

‡ Court Orders, II: 130.

§ Plym. Col. B. M. B., p. 15.

|| Mayflower Descendant, IV: 193.

in the will. He died at Plymouth between 16/26 June, 1730, and 21/31 May, 1731, the dates of making and probating his will.* His gravestone on Burial Hill states that he died in April, 1729, in the seventy-seventh year of his age. This date cannot of course be correct and his age at death may also be an error. If we assume that the age given is correct, then William the "elder son" was certainly born after Elizabeth, in 1653 or later. Every other reference to him found on the records indicates that he was much younger. If any children were born before Elizabeth no evidence of such births can now be found on the records and they certainly died young, probably before Bradford wrote.

Damaris² Hopkins married Jacob² Cooke (*Francis*¹) in the latter part of 1646 or early in 1647 and the first child we find recorded as born to this couple was Elizabeth Cooke, born at Plymouth, 18/28 January, 1648/9.† The second child on the records, Caleb, called "eldest son" in his father's will,‡ was born at Plymouth 29 March /8 April, 1651.§ He was born therefore after Bradford wrote.|| The daughter Elizabeth married John² Doty (*Edward*¹) and died in 1692 in her forty-fourth year. Before her birth there was plenty of time for the birth of another child, who probably died after Bradford wrote.

Ruth² Hopkins must have been the daughter who died before Bradford wrote, as her father's will provided that in case Deborah, Damaris, Ruth or Elizabeth died unmarried her share of the personal estate should be distributed among the remaining sisters, and the settlement of Elizabeth's estate in 1659 shows that Ruth had died, unmarried, before that time. This settlement proves also that Elizabeth was the daughter described by Bradford as the one who was "yet to marry."

Although the evidence which has been presented does not prove conclusively that Damaris (Hopkins) Cooke was not a Mayflower passenger, it offers a reasonable explanation of contemporary records and statements which apparently are contradictory. If any record is found which conflicts with or disproves any part of this theory no one will be more pleased to see it than myself, since my sole aim in the compilation of the Mayflower Genealogies is to get at the facts as shown by the original records and written or printed statements of contemporary writers.

* Plym. Co. Prob. Reds., VI: 34, 35.

† Plym. Col. B. M. B., p. 5.

‡ Mayflower Descendant, III: 237.

§ Plym. Col. B. M. B., p. 13.

|| Mayflower Descendant, I: 161.

The record of Stephen Hopkins after the arrival of the Mayflower at Cape Cod Harbor will be taken up in the next installment.

(To be continued.)

PLYMOUTH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 114.)

[p. 59] The Children of Jacob Willard & Sarah Willard his Wife

- 1 Sarah born February : 6th : 170 $\frac{3}{4}$
- 2 Simon born on y^e 19th of November 1706

The Children of Josiah Johnson, & Patience his Wife

1. Josiah Johnson Born Sep^r. 30th. 1748.
2. Patience Johnson Born March 10th. 1752.
3. Eleazer Johnson Born, Dec^r 3. 1755.

The Children of Eliazar Dunham Junior & Meriam Dunham his Wife

- 1 Rebeckah born on y^e 2^d of February 1706
- 2 ffeare born March 13th 170 $\frac{3}{4}$
- 3 Nathaniel January 4th 170 $\frac{1}{4}$
- 4 Ezekell born July 14th 1713 Deceased June 28. 1714.
- 5 Ezekill born January 10th 170 $\frac{1}{4}$
- Elizabeth born March 7th. 1723/4
- Jerusha born February : 2^d : 1725/6

The Children of George Morton & Joanna Morton his Wife

- 1 Hannah born November 27th 1666
- 2 Manasseh born February 3^d 1669
- 3 Ephraim born Aprill 12th 1671
- 4 Joanna born June 27th 1673
- 5 Ruth born December 21 1676
- 6 George born July 16th 1679
- 7 Timothy born March 12th 1682
- 8 Rebeckah born July. 18th 1684
- 9 Elizabeth born November 20th 1686
- 10 Thomas born July 2^d 1690

[p. 60] The Children of William Barnes & also barnes his Wife

- 1 William born on the 5th of January 1706. Drowned Ap^r. 16. 1730*
- 2 Lemuell born on y^e 16th of February 1707 Deceased in 1751
- 3 Marcy born Desember 19th 1708
- 4 Benjamine born Desember 11 1711 Deceased

Benjamin born Dec^r : 20th : 1717. Deceas^d. April 12th. 1760

The Children of William Jerman, & Eleonar his Wife

- 1 William Jerman born May 22nd. 1747. Deceased Sep^t. 23rd. 1748

* "1" has been written over the "0."

2. Mary Jerman born Sept. 23rd. 1748.

The Children of John Harlow & Martha his wife

1 John born January 29 1706/7.

2 Elizabeth born September 1 1709 Deceas^d. July 4th 1710

3 Rebeckah born July 13th 1711 Deceas^d. Dec^r. 24. 1731. or 173(*)

4 Martha born July 7th 1715 Deceas^d. July 7. 1735.

5 Amaziah born Dec^r 18th. 1721

Mary Harlow born Dec^r. 5. 1717. Deceas^d. Dec^r. 19. 1717

Thankfull Harlow born, Feb^{ry}. 11. 1723/4. Deceas^d. Feb^{ry}. 22.

1723/4

The Children of William Cook & Tabitha Cook his Wife

1 hannah born the 8th of November 1707

2 lidiah born ffebruary 4th 1710

3 Hulda born on y^e 12 of Agust 1712

4 William born January 15th 1701 $\frac{1}{2}$

5. Elisha born March 10th 1701 $\frac{1}{2}$

6: Tabitha born July 8th 1719

7 Pricila born March : 13 : 1721/22

[p. 61] The Child of Nathaniel Morton & Mary Morton his wife

Nathaniel born on y^e 5th of Desember 1706

The Children of Bennijah Pratt & Mary Pratt his Wife

1 Mary born on y^e 8th of Aprill 1695

2 Sarah born on y^e 15 of June 1697

3 Debora born october 18th 1698

4 Prisilla born November 21 1701

5 Abigail born July 6th 1703

The Children of Josiah Cotton & hannah Cotton his Wife

1 Hannah Cotton y^e Daughter of Josiah Cotton & hannah his Wife
was born Aprill 3^d : 1709 Hannah deceased Octo^r 27. 1731

2 Mary born on the 14 of August 1710

3 John born on the 5th : of Aprill 1712 Dec^d. Nov^r 1799 aged 77
years

4 Bethia born June 8th 1714

5 Theophilos born March 31st 1716

6 lucie born ffebruary 19th 1701 $\frac{1}{2}$

7 Josiah born January 19 1719/20 he Deceased : on : ye : first Day
of agust 1720

8 A son born May 3^d 1721 Deceased May 28 1721

9 Edward born June 20th 1722 Deceased July 6th 1722

10 Josiah born July 30 1723 Deceased october 23^d 1723

11 Josiah Cotton born November 18th 1724

12. Edward Cotton born April 6th 1726. Deceased June 20th : 1726.

13 Rowland Cotton born July 27th. 1727. Deceased August 10th 1727

14 Margaret Cotton born January 23. 1729/30

15. Rowland Cotton born September 13. 1732. dead

The Children of Samuel Bates & Margeret bats his Wife

* The last figure is illegible.

- 1 Thomas was born March 2^d 170⁸₉
- 2 Samuel born : on y^e 16 of Aprill : 1713 :
- 3 John born November : 24 : 1716
- 4 Barnabas born January 15th 1701³₉
- 5 Job born y^e 14th of october 1721.

[p. 62] The Children of Samuel King Senior & Sarah King his Wife

- 1 Sarah born on y^e 21 of february 1670
- 2 Joannah born on y^e 16th Day of March 1672
- 3 Samuel born on y^e 27 of March 1674
- 4 Mehittab born on y^e 16 of June 1676
- 5 Bethyah born on the 21 of october 1678
- 6 Joseph born on y^e 16 of february 1680
- 7 John born on y^e 16 of March 1683
- 8 Eliazar born May 27 1685
- 9 Isaac born May : 6 : 1688
- 10 Martha born aprill 8th 1694

The Children of William Clarke Juner and Bethiah Clarke his wife

- 1 Nathaniel born october 30th 1709
- 2 Sarah born May 25 1712
- 3 Matthew born September 13th 1714

The Children of Elkanah Watson & Marsey Watson his Wife

John born the beginning of october 1678 Died Sep^r. 9. 1731

Phebe born in June 1681
 Mercy born in october 1683
 Mary born in october 1688

Elizabeth*

The Child of William Green & Desire grene his Wife

Mary born March 8th 1710

The Children of Thomas Foster Jun^r, & Marcy his Wife

1. Hannah Foster Born, Sept^r. 19th. 1748. Deceas^d April. 25. 1749
2. Lucey Foster Born Jan^{ry} 13th. 1749/5. died of the Small pox in 1776
3. Thomas Foster Born Oct^r. 4. 1751.
- 4 Priscilla Foster Born July 27. 1753. Deceas^d Augst 21st. 1775
5. George Foster Born Sep^t 15th 1755.
- 6 Marcy Foster. Born Dec^r. 11th. 1758

Samuel Bartlett Son of Priscilla Foster Above named born April 28th 1775

[p. 63] The Child of Joseph King Junior and Marsey King his Wife

Nathaniel born May 26 : 1707 : deseased february 7th : 1734/5

The Child of William Greene and Desire Greene his Wife

Mary born March y^e 8 1710

The Children of Charles Church & Mary Church his Wife

- 1 Benjamin born on the first Day of November 1706
- 2 Deborah born January 12 1707

* This name is in a modern hand.

- 3 Charles born August 26 1710
- 4 Rebeckah born Aprill 15th 1713
- 5 Joseph born March 20th 1715
- 6 Sarah born february 26th 1701 $\frac{1}{2}$

The Children of John holmes & Sarah holmes his Wife

- 1 Patience born on ye 3^d of November 1690
- 2 Nathaniel born on the 30th of August 1692
- 3 John born on ye 28 of May 1694
- 4 Cornelious born on ye 4th of January 169 $\frac{2}{3}$
- 5 Sarah born october 28 1699 .

The Children of the sd John holmes and Exsperiance holmes his Wife

- 1 Samuel born November : 21 1704
- 2 Benjamin born october 9th 1706
- 3 Thomas born January 7th 170 $\frac{3}{8}$
- 4 Suzanah born october. ye. 13 1711.

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REPORTS FROM STATE SOCIETIES.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY.

THE Seventh Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Massachusetts Society were held at the Hotel Somerset, Boston, on Friday evening, November 21, 1902. After the dinner addresses were made by Governor Myles Standish, who presided, Hon. John D. Long, Hon. Michael J. Murray, Rev. George T. Smart, D.D., Rev. George M. Bodge and Mr. J. Henry Sears.

The following officers were elected for the year 1902-1903:

Governor,	Morton Dexter
Deputy Governor,	Winslow Warren
Captain,	Charles Augustus Hopkins
Elder,	Rev. George Hodges, D.D.
Secretary,	George Ernest Bowman
Treasurer,	James Leonard Wesson
Historian,	Frederick Wesley Parker
Surgeon,	Samuel Jason Mixter, M.D.
Assistants,	Mrs. William Lawrie, Henry Southworth Shaw, Horace Homer Soule, Jr., Mrs. C. Peter Clark, Edwin S. Crandon, Rev. Edward Huntting Rudd, Samuel Bil- lings Capen.

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First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Reports on Public Records; from the Record Commissioner, Hon. Robert T. Swan.

"The Drinkwater Family"; from Mr. Clarence F. French of Waltham.

"Vital Records of Montgomery, Mass.;" from the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

"James Rogers of New London, Ct., and His Descendants"; from the compiler, Mr. James Swift Rogers of Boston.

Seven electrotype plates of parts of Col. John Gorham's "Wast Book", a Halftone plate and two Photographs of old Gorham houses at Barnstable, and three copies of Gorham wills; all from Mr. Frank W. Sprague of Brookline.

Twenty-four old documents, principally deeds of land in Taunton and Norton, Mass.; from Mrs. Charles H. Warren of Providence, R. I.

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"Genealogical Chart of the Gladding Family"; from Mr. R. A. Quin of Vicksburg, Miss.

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MEMBERS ELECTED.

September, 30, 1902.

- 723. Shepard Howland, Cambridge, seventh from John Howland.
- 724. Charles Plimpton Lincoln, Somerville, eighth from Richard Warren.
- 725. Miss Alice Carpenter Allyn, Cambridge, seventh from William Bradford.
- 726. Mrs. David Oakes Clark, Hingham, eighth from Richard Warren.
- 727. Mrs. Allen Francis Carpenter, Somerville, seventh Degory Priest.
- 728. William Cushing Loring, Newton Centre, ninth from Richard Warren.
- 729. Miss Susanna Willard, Cambridge, eighth from Richard Warren.
- 730. Nelson Elliott Bryant, Shanghai, China, eighth from Myles Standish.
- 731. Mrs. Nelson Elliott Bryant, Shanghai, China, eighth from John Alden.

October 31, 1902.

- 732. John Wellington Faxon, Chattanooga, Tenn., seventh from William Bradford.
- 733. Mrs. Palmer Gaylord Wood, Fort Douglas, Utah, seventh from William Bradford.
- 734. Foster Standish Kellogg, Boston, ninth from Myles Standish.
- 735. Mrs. Robert Enegren, Moline, Ill., ninth from William Bradford.
- 736. Miss Elizabeth Hitchcock Brayton, Fall River, ninth from Richard Warren.
- 737. Mrs. Arthur Ellsworth Linnell, Wollaston, ninth from Stephen Hopkins.
- 738. Miss Erminnie Angelia French, Waltham, eighth from George Soule.
- 739. Carolus Melville Cobb, M.D., Lynn, eighth from John Howland.

November 18, 1902.

- 740. Miss Winifred Johnson, Cape Girardeau, Mo., ninth from Myles Standish.
- 741. Mrs. Charles Henry Wright, Cambridge, eighth from Richard Warren.

742. Mrs. Alexander Granville Bowditch, East Braintree, ninth from Richard Warren.
743. John Davis Long, Hingham, ninth from James Chilton, eighth from Mary Chilton.
744. Miss Abby Maria Bennett Slade, Providence, R. I., eighth from Richard Warren.
745. James Belcher Etherington, Winthrop, ninth from Stephen Hopkins, eighth from Constance Hopkins.
746. Mrs. Augustus Taylor Clark, ninth from Stephen Hopkins, eighth from Constance Hopkins.
747. Mrs. Albert Emore Richardson, Burlington, Vt., eighth from William Bradford.
748. Edward Jones Cox, Newtonville, seventh from Henry Samson.
749. Mrs. Edward Jones Cox, Newtonville, eighth from William Brewster.
750. Miss Elizabeth Williams Cilley, Nottingham, N. H., tenth from John Howland.
751. Leonard Gregory Paine, Philadelphia, Pa., eighth from Francis Cooke.
752. Clarence Freeman French, Waltham, eighth from George Soule.
753. Mrs. Clarence Freeman French, Waltham, ninth from Peter Brown.
754. Mrs. Walter Jenney, Boston, ninth from Stephen Hopkins, eighth from Constance Hopkins.
- November 24, 1902.
755. Mrs. Alvah Norton Belding, Rockville, Conn., ninth from Stephen Hopkins, eighth from Constance Hopkins.
756. Mrs. Samuel Crowell, Boston, eighth from John Alden.

SUPPLEMENTAL LINES FILED.

June, 1902.

266. Edwin S. Crandon, eleventh from William Brewster, tenth from Love Brewster; eleventh from Richard Warren; tenth from Richard Warren.

September, 1902.

266. Edwin S. Crandon, ninth from James Chilton, eighth from Mary Chilton; ninth from Francis Cook; ninth from Stephen Hopkins.
305. Mrs. George E. Richardson, ninth from Francis Cooke, eighth from John Cook.

October, 1902.

598. Rev. John E. Bowman, tenth from Francis Cooke.
713. Miss Katharine K. Davis, eighth from John Howland (two lines).

November, 1902.

381. Mrs. William P. Weyman, eighth from Francis Cooke.

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

September 17, 1902.

687. Charles Edwin Sherman, Lawrence, eighth from John Howland.
688. William Hervey Blymyer, New York, ninth from Francis Cooke.
689. Charles Manning Henderson, Rochester, ninth from William Brewster.
690. Frederick Brooks Hubbell, Canandaigua, ninth from William Brewster.
691. Mrs. Charles L. Browne, Portland, Me., seventh from Myles Standish.

October 1, 1902.

692. Mrs. Joseph Wilkins Howe, New York, seventh from John Howland.
 693. Charles Hustace, Jr., Honolulu, H. I., tenth from William Brewster.
 694. Mrs. Charles Arthur Ring, Buffalo, tenth from Francis Cooke.
 November 5, 1902.
 695. Mrs. Charles Lincoln Seabury, Yonkers, eighth from John Howland.
 696. Rev. John Howard Hobbs, Jamaica, L. I., eighth from John Howland.
 697. Mrs. William Isaac Donshea, New York, ninth from William Brewster.
 698. Andrew Haswell Green, New York, sixth from John Howland.
 November 21, 1902.
 699. Harry Bates Thayer, New York, eighth from John Alden.
 700. Rev. Abbott Eliot Kittredge, New York, seventh from Stephen Hopkins, sixth from Gyles Hopkins.
 701. Miss Jane Elizabeth Terry, Irvington, ninth from William Bradford

ILLINOIS SOCIETY.

The following officers were elected at the Annual Meeting held November 22, 1902:

Governor,	Dr. James Nevins Hyde
Deputy Governor,	Victor Clifton Alderson
Elder,	Rt. Rev. Charles Edward Cheney
Secretary,	Mrs. Seymour Morris
Treasurer,	Paul Blatchford
Historian,	Theron Royal Woodward
Captain,	Isaac Burrows Snow
Surgeon,	Dr. Harry Cushman Worthington
Assistants,	John Smith Sargent, Miss Cornelia Grav Lunt, Edson Jesse Harkness, Mrs. Nelson C. Gridley, Isaac Gross Lombard, Mrs. Henry C. Purmort, Frederick M. Steele.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

- November 12, 1902.
 93. Livingston Wells Fargo, Chicago, eighth from William Bradford.
 94. Miss Florence Bradford Fargo, Chicago, eighth from William Bradford.
 95. Mrs. Irene Fargo Andrews, Chicago, eighth from William Bradford.
 96. Mrs. Roger Sherman, Chicago, tenth from John Alden.
 97. Mrs. Charles Pinckney Wheeler, Evanston, ninth from John Alden.

SUPPLEMENTAL LINES ACCEPTED.

October, 1902.

91. Myron D. Downs, eighth from William Brewster, seventh from Love Brewster; ninth from John Howland; eighth from Richard Warren.

OHIO SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

October 7, 1902.

46. Miss Isadora King, Xenia, ninth from William Bradford.
 47. Miss Emma Cornelia King, Xenia, ninth from William Bradford.

48. Mrs. Clinton Corwin Nichols, Wilmington, ninth from William Bradford.
49. Mrs. Samuel Pogue, Cincinnati, eighth from Richard Warren.
50. Mrs. Francis Miller Dille, Cincinnati, eighth from Stephen Hopkins, seventh from Gyles Hopkins.
51. Mrs. Ferdinand Welch, Toledo, eighth from John Howland.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

October 14, 1902.

146. Mrs. Sylvester R. Burch, Washington, seventh from William Brewster, sixth from Love Brewster.
147. Frank Bond, Washington, eighth from Isaac Allerton, seventh from Mary Allerton.
148. James Fitch Bradford, Cornwall Hollow, Conn., seventh from William Bradford.

November 10, 1902.

149. Sherwood Caldwell Cummings, Norwalk, Conn., eighth from William Bradford.

November 21, 1902.

150. Leonard Wood, Washington, ninth from Francis Cooke.

WISCONSIN SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

February 1, 1902.

37. Mrs. Lorenzo Dow Harmon, Oshkosh, eighth from William Bradford.

June 18, 1902.

38. Mrs. John Watkins Mariner, Milwaukee, eighth from William Bradford.

July 17, 1902.

39. Fred Moore Strong, Beloit, eighth from Henry Samson.

September 26, 1902.

40. Mrs. Frank W. Oakley, Madison, ninth from Thomas Rogers.

October 20, 1902.

41. Ellis Baker Usher, La Crosse, eighth from John Howland.

October 28, 1902.

42. Mrs. Edward Miller Crane, Oshkosh, eighth from John Alden.

November 13, 1902.

43. Thomas Lathrop Kennan, Milwaukee, ninth from William Brewster.

RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

September 10, 1902.

30. Mrs. William Frederick Williams, Bristol, tenth from James Chilton, ninth from Mary Chilton.
31. Miss Elma Elizabeth Smith, Providence, ninth from John Alden.
32. Mrs. George Allen Buffum, Providence, ninth from William Brewster.
33. Mrs. Charles Bristed Rockwell, Bristol, ninth from Myles Standish.
34. Emory Poole Russell, Providence, eighth from Myles Standish.
35. Miss Elizabeth Warren, Providence, eighth from Richard Warren.
36. Miss Anna Nightingale Warren, Providence, eighth from Richard Warren.

37. Mrs. William Smith Granger, Providence, eighth from John Alden.
38. Miss Georgiana Guild, Providence, ninth from Myles Standish.
39. Mrs. Frank Mason Mathewson, Providence, eighth from John Alden.
40. Miss Caroline Frances Waterman, Warren, seventh from John Howland.
41. Mrs. George Saunders Bullock, Warren, eighth from Richard Warren. October 8, 1902.
42. Mrs. Edward Harris Rathbun, Woonsocket, ninth from William Bradford.
43. John Pitman, Springfield, Mass., eighth from John Alden. November 12, 1902.
44. Mrs. William Woodward, Jr., New York, N. Y., eighth from Richard Warren.
45. Miss Louise Southwick Kendall, Providence, ninth from John Alden.
46. Harry Austin Slocomb, Providence, ninth from John Alden.
47. Miss Bertha Simmons Manchester, Providence, eleventh from Francis Cooke, tenth from John Cooke.

MICHIGAN SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

September 3, 1902.

29. Fred Dana Standish, Detroit, seventh from Myles Standish.
30. Mrs. Orlando J. Parker, Howell, ninth from William Brewster.
31. Miss Ada Louise Smith, Pontiac, tenth from William Bradford. November 12, 1902.
32. Mrs. Henry Stimson Atterbury, St. Louis, Mo., ninth from James Chilton, eighth from Mary Chilton.
33. Miss Adaline Mathilde Grelling, Detroit, ninth from John Alden.
34. Miss Clara Arlette Avery, Detroit, eighth from John Alden.
35. Mrs. George W. Patterson, Jr., Ann Arbor, ninth from Edward Fuller.

MAINE SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 26, 1901.

21. Roswell Farnham Doten, Portland, sixth from Edward Doty. February 22, 1902.
22. Alonzo Walton Sturges, Lewiston, eighth from John Howland. March 26, 1902.
23. Mrs. Benjamin Bixby Murray, Calais, seventh from William Bradford.
24. Edward Arthur Shaw, Portland, ninth from John Alden.
25. Charles Lathrop Parsons, Durham, N. H., ninth from William Brewster.
26. Mrs. Stephen Edmund Royce, St. Albans, Vt., eighth from John Alden.
27. Lewis Beers Curtis, Southport, Conn., ninth from William Bradford.
28. Mrs. Edward Howe Harden, Orrington, ninth from Myles Standish.
29. Charles Henry Alden, Waterville, seventh from John Alden.
30. Elliott Wood, Winthrop, seventh from Peter Brown.
31. Miss Grace Belle Gannett, Augusta, ninth from James Chilton, eighth from Mary Chilton.
32. Mrs. Charles Cobb Harmon, Portland, eighth from Myles Standish.

PILGRIM NOTES AND QUERIES.

NOTES.

TRURO, MASS., VITAL RECORDS. The Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants proposes to publish, if encouragement warrants, the Vital Records (Births, Marriages and Deaths) of the town of Truro, Barnstable County, Mass., from its incorporation in 1709 down to the year 1850. Following the plan adopted for all the historical work of this Society a literal transcript of these records will be printed, with the addition of a complete full-name index.

Among the names to be found in the Truro records are the following: Atkins, Atwood, Avery, Baker, Bangs, Brown, Chapman, Childs, Cobb, Cole, Collins, Conant, Cook, Davis, Doane, Dyer, Eldred, Eldridge, Freeman, Gross, Grozier, Harding, Higgins, Hinckley, Hopkins, Knowles, Lewis, Lombard, Mayo, Merrick, Newcomb, Nickerson, Nye, Paine, Perry, Phinney, Rich, Rider, Rogers, Sargent, Sellew, Small, Smalley, Smith, Snow, Stevens, Swett, Thayer, Thomas, Treat, Turner, Upham, Vickery, Warren, Webber, Wharf, Young. There are said to be 1300 entries relating to the Rich family alone.

It is estimated that the volume will contain over 400 pages of octavo size, and it will be printed in clear type on good paper and bound in linen. The cost of issuing this book will be about \$1200. In order that this amount may be provided and the publication of these important records be assured, the cordial coöperation of every person interested in Truro, or in any other Cape Cod town, is earnestly solicited. Assistance may be rendered in two ways—by direct gifts to the "Cape Cod Town Record Fund," or by advance subscriptions for copies of the book.

The "Cape Cod Town Record Fund" has been started for the purpose of securing, as rapidly as the growth of the fund will permit, the publication not only of the Vital Records, but also of the Church, Gravestone, Proprietors and other records of *every town* in Barnstable County.

A gentleman (not a member of this Society) who declines to allow his name to be used, started this fund with a gift of \$200, on condition that his contribution be applied towards the expense of making a literal transcript of the Truro Vital Records, ready to be put into the hands of the printer as soon as receipts from gifts and from subscriptions for copies of the book reach an amount which will warrant the publication of these records. It is expected that this transcript will be completed about April 1, 1903, and prompt and liberal contributions to the fund are urged in order that the work of printing may proceed rapidly.

All contributions to the fund will be acknowledged in "The Mayflower Descendant" and the names of contributors will also be printed in each book published at the expense of this fund.

The price of the "Truro, Mass., Vital Records" to those who subscribe in advance of publication will be four dollars (\$4.00) per copy. The price to those who are willing to assist in securing the early publication of these records by sending a remittance with their order will be three dollars (\$3.00). The book when published will contain a list of all advance subscribers who send remittances with their orders.

If the amount needed is secured and the Truro records are published, the returns from sales of the book will be added to the "Cape Cod Town

Record Fund" and thus assist in printing the records of the other Cape Cod towns. It is hoped that the contributions for this work will be both prompt and liberal in order that the work may go forward rapidly and the "Truro, Mass., Vital Records" be ready for distribution before the General Congress of the Society to be held at Plymouth in September, 1903. The larger the contribution the earlier the work of printing can begin, but gifts of any amount and subscriptions for one or several copies of the book will be welcomed.

This Society has already begun printing in "The Mayflower Descendant" the Vital Records of Barnstable, Chatham, Eastham, Harwich and Yarmouth and the Precinct Records of Wellfleet; but the limited space which can be given to each town makes progress in the preservation of these records extremely slow, and it must be remembered that we have not yet been able to begin the Vital Records of Brewster (See announcement in another note), Dennis, Falmouth, Orleans, Provincetown, Sandwich, Wellfleet and Truro, or any of the Church, Gravestone, Proprietors or other records, all of which should be preserved by printing as early as possible. It is estimated that contributions amounting to \$10,000 in addition to the receipts from sales of the different volumes as they are issued will be needed to defray the expense of publishing the whole of this great mass of important records. The Vital Records of every town in the county can be published within three years if one half of this sum can be secured. This can easily be raised if those interested in seeing these records printed will make an effort to secure contributions for the Fund and advance subscriptions for copies of the different books.

The prices of the Brewster and Truro books are as announced in these Notes, and the prices of the others will be fixed as early as possible. The order in which the towns will be taken up will depend on the wishes of contributors to the "Cape Cod Town Record Fund" and the amounts received from advance payments for copies of the respective books.

All who read this notice are urged to send to the Editor the name and address of every person they know to be descended from Cape Cod families and to personally call the attention of such persons to this most important work.

Contributions for the "Cape Cod Town Record Fund" and subscriptions for the book should be addressed to the Editor.

CAPE COD TOWN RECORD FUND. *Contributions received:* A friend, \$200.00; Miss Marion E. Gross, Hartford, Conn., \$5.00. *Advance payment for copy of Truro Records:* \$3.00. Total receipts, \$208.00.

IN MEMORY OF ELDER WILLIAM BREWSTER. The Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants proposes to publish in a separate volume the Vital Records (Births, Marriages and Deaths) of the town of Brewster, Mass., down to the year 1850. As this town, originally a part of Harwich, was named in honor of Elder William Brewster, it has been thought appropriate to issue these records in a handsome memorial volume, and appeal to Elder Brewster's descendants to provide the necessary funds, either by gifts of such sums as they think best or by subscriptions for copies of the book.

Following the plan adopted for all the historical work of this Society, a literal transcript of the records will be printed, with the addition of a complete full-name index.

It is proposed to issue two editions, the Memorial Edition, with several full-page illustrations, on deckle-edged paper and handsomely bound; and a Regular Edition, of the records alone and uniform with the other Vital Records to be issued by this Society.

The Memorial Edition will be limited to one hundred and fifty (150) numbered and signed copies. The price of this edition will be \$3.00 to advance subscribers who remit that amount with their order, *provided*, that the order is received before the book is published. If any copies of this edition remain unsubscribed for at date of publication, the price of such copies will be increased. Orders for this edition will not be received unless accompanied by a remittance.

Each advance order for the Memorial Edition accompanied by a remittance will be numbered as it is received, and the subscriber will be given the corresponding copy of the book, which will contain a list of all subscribers with their numbers, also a list of those who have made contributions towards the expense of publication.

The price of the Regular Edition will be \$1.00 to advance subscribers remitting that amount with their order. After the book is issued the price of this edition will be \$2.00.

Every descendant of Elder William Brewster is urged to assist this publication in memory of our honored ancestor by a liberal contribution or by a subscription (accompanied by a remittance) for one or more copies of the book; also by sending to the Editor the names and addresses of all Brewster descendants, in order that notices may be sent to them. It is hoped that the entire Memorial Edition will be subscribed for by descendants of Elder Brewster. All contributions towards the expense of publication will be acknowledged in "The Mayflower Descendant."

The work of making the transcript of the records has begun, but the manuscript will not be put into the hands of the printer until the amount received from contributions and subscriptions warrants such a step. It is hoped that this appeal will meet with such a prompt and liberal response that the book may be issued by July 1, 1903.

Contributions towards the expense of publication and subscriptions for copies of the book should be addressed to the Editor.

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN CAPE COD TOWNS. While the copies of the Cape Cod records are being prepared searches for birth, marriage and death records can be made at very low rates. Since every page of the original volumes will be critically examined no entries will be overlooked and doubtless many long sought records will be discovered. The Editor has frequently found entries which had been missed by searchers who claimed to have made a thorough examination of the same records. Their failure was often due to relying on the "indexes" which many towns have. The majority of these "indexes" are very incomplete and many of them refer to extremely inaccurate "copies" instead of to the original records, and town clerks almost invariably produce the copy when the records are called for. The original is frequently at the other end of the town, several miles distant. Most of these copies are worthless, owing to numerous careless errors of the copyist, and frequently to his inability to read the ancient handwriting of the original.

All persons desiring to take advantage of this unusual opportunity for careful research at moderate rates should communicate with the Editor. All fees received will be added to the "Cape Cod Town Record Fund."

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THE SETTLEMENT OF REV. SAMUEL FULLER'S ESTATE.

Literally Transcribed

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

REV. SAMUEL FULLER, son of Dr. Samuel Fuller of the Mayflower, died intestate at Middleborough 17 August, 1695,* and his widow Elizabeth was appointed administratrix 25 September, 1695. The record of this appointment and of the inventory taken 5 September, 1695, may be found in the Plymouth County Probate Records, Volume I, page 223. On page 224 is recorded the appointment of a guardian for the minor son Isaac, and on pages 246 and 247 is the agreement between the heirs.

The original inventory and the bond of the administratrix are still preserved in the probate files. The bond is of especial interest as it bears the autograph signatures of the widow Elizabeth Fuller and of her two bondsmen, Rev. Isaac Cushman and John Nelson. It is twelve and one-eighth by eight inches in size, and is in good condition, as will be seen by the accompanying illustration. The original inventory was used in making the copy for printing. It is somewhat worn on the right hand margin.

Contributions towards the expense of illustrating the bond have been received from Mr. Linus E. Fuller of New York and Messrs. James D. Lazell and George T. Prince of Philadelphia.

[APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATRIX.]

William Bradford Esq^r Commissionated &c for y^e Granting

* Mayflower Descendant, I: 222, and gravestone.

of probate of wils and Letters of Administration within y^e County of Plimouth &c To Elizabeth ffuller Relict & widdow of M^r Sam^l ffuller late of Middleborough deceased Intestate Trusting in your care & fidellity I do by these presents commit unto you full power to Administer all & singular the Goods chattels Rights and Credits of y^e sd Deceased and well & faithfully to dispose of y^e same according to law And also to ask gather levy Recover & Receive all and whatsoever Credits of y^e sd deceased which to him while he lived and at y^e time of his Death did appertain and to pay all debts in which y^e deceased Stood bound so far as his goods chattels Rights and Credits can extend according to y^e value thereof And to make a true & perfect Inventory of all & singular y^e Goods chattels Rights & Credits of y^e sd deceased & to exhibit y^e same Into y^e Registers office of y^e aforesaid County at or before the fifteenth day of october next ensuing And to Render a plain & true account of your sd Administration upon oath at or before the twenty ninth day of September one thousand six hundred ninety and six And I do by these presents Ordaine Constitute & appoint you Administratrix of all & singular the Goods chattels Rights & credits aforesd In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & y^e seal of y^e sd office

Dated in plimouth y^e 25th

William Bradford

day of September 1695

Sam^l Sprague Regist^r

[Plym. Co. Prob. Rcds., I : 223]

[BOND OF ADMINISTRATRIX.]

Know all men by these presents that We Elizabeth ffuller Relict & Widdow of m^r Samuel ffuller late of Middleborough Deceased Intestate and Isaac Cushman & John Nelson both of Plimouth within y^e county of Plimouth are holden & stand firmly bound and obliged unto William Bradford Esq^r in the full sum of one hundred pounds currant money of New England aforesaid to be paid to the sd W^m Bradford his Successours in y^e office of Judge of the probate of Wils and Granting Administration Within y^e sd county or Assigns to the true payment whereof we do bind ourselves our heirs executors & Administrato^rs joyntly and severally firmly by these presents Sealed with our Seals. Dated in Plimouth the 25th day of September 1695 An^o Regni Gulielmi Tertii Anliæ Scotiæ franciæ et Hiberniæ Regis Septimo.

The Condition of this present Obligation is such that if the

above bounden Elizabeth ffuller Administratrix of all & singular the Goods Chattels Rights & C[redits of the] sd Deceased Intestate Do make a true and perfect Inventory of all & singu[lar y^e] Goods Chattels Rights and Credits of the sd Deceased which have or shall come to y^e hands possession or knowledge of the said Administratrix or Into the hands & possession of any other person or persons for her & the same so made do exhibit Into y^e Registers office of y^e sd county at or before y^e 25th day of october next ensuing and the same Goods Chattels Rights & Credits and all other y^e Goods Chattels Rights and Credits of y^e sd Deceased at y^e time of his Death which at any time after shall come to y^e hands or possession of the sd Administratrix or any other person or persons for her Do well & truly Administer according to law & further do make or cause to be made a just & true account of her sd Administration at or before y^e twenty ninth day of September 1696. And all y^e Rest & Residue of the sd Goods Chattels Rights & Credits which shall be found Remaining upon the sd Administrators account the same being first examined and allowed of by the judge or judges for y^e time being of probate of Wils and Granting of Administration within y^e county of Plimouth shall deliver & pay unto such person & persons Respectively as y^e sd judge or judges by his or their decree or sentence pursuant to law shall limit and appoint And if it shall hereafter appear that any last will and Testament was made by y^e sd deceased and the executor or executors therein Named Do exhibit y^e same Into the sd court of probate making Request to have it allowed and approved accordingly If the sd Elizabeth ffuller within bounden being there unto Required do Render & deliver the said letters of Administration Approbation of such Testament being first had & made into y^e Registers office of y^e sd County then this obl[igation] to be voyd & of none effect or else to Remain in full for[ce]

Signed Sealed & delivered
in presence of *

Elizabeth Fuller (seal)
Isaac Cushman (seal)
John nelson (seal)

[From Original Document.]

[INVENTORY]

Semtember : the 5 : 1695
this is a tru inventory of the Estate of m^r Samuell Fuller
Teacher of the church of middelbury Lately deaseased prised
by us whose names are under written

* The bond was not witnessed.

his wearin cloathing woollin and linnen	09 00 00
his books	04 00 0*
to beds with bedin	07 00 *
puter with table linnen	01 04 0*
a still	01 00 0*
the brase to kittells and a spise mortter	00 14 0*
A iron pot and kittell and mortter	00 16 *
tramells tongs and pot hooks	00 08 *
chests and trays and dishes and chairs	00 15 0*
tubs and pails	00 08 00
Earthen ware and glases	00 02 00
runlets and barells and a churn	00 07 *
a siftin trof and a frien pan	00 04 0*
a loom and taklin	01 05 0*
hors taklin	00 18 00
taklin for a teem and old iron	00 12 00
a pare of oxen	05 00 *
3 coves	04 10 00
3 heifer	03 10 00
2 Calves	00 12 00
swine	01 15 00
a hors and a mare	03 00 00
3 swarm of bees	00 08 00
at middelbury his dwellin hous and 20 Akers of Land and A full share of the six and twenty mens purshas only twenty five Akers and twelf Akers of Land near John haskels and a parsell of Land Cominly called the sixteen shillin purshas and A hous and Land Plimouth	
more to books and a bibell	00 15 00
tow pare of scalles	00 06 00
three wheells and a pare : of cards :	00 10 00
A pot and a spoon	00 07 00
A gun	00 08 00
toue yarn	00 02 00
The widdows Bed not apprised	

Joseph : vaughan
Samuell wood

M^{rs} Elizabeth fuller Relict & Widdow of Mr Sam^l fuller
above named made oath in Plimouth September 25th : 1695 that
y^e above Written is a true Inventory of y^e Goods Chattels
Rights & Credits of y^e sd Deceased so far as she knoweth &
that if more shall come to her knowledge she will make it
known

Before William Bradford Esq^r &c.
Attest Sam^l Sprague Register

* Comparison with the record (Vol. I : 223) shows that in every case where we
have placed asterisks the original document had ciphers.

The above written Inventory is Recorded in y^e 223^d page of
y^e first Book of wils Recorded for y^e County of Plimouth.
p^r Sam^l Sprague Register
[From Original Document.]

[APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN.]

Memorand y^e 25 of Sep^r 1695
John Nelson of Plimouth appointed Guardian to Isaac ffuller
Son of m^r Sam^l ffuller late of Middleborough deceased.
p^r William Bradford judge
[Plym. Co. Prob. Rcds., I : 224]

[AGREEMENT OF THE HEIRS.]

This agreement made betwixt the widdow M^{rs} Elizabeth
ffuller and all the Children of M^r Samuel ffuller late Minister
of Middleborough in y^e County of Plimouth in New England
deceased Namely Samuel ffuller & Daniel Cole and Mercy his
wife James wood and Experience his wife Samuel Eaton and
Elizabeth his wife Hannah ffuller and John Nelson as Guardian
to Isaac ffuller y^e youngest son of sd fuller deceased and John
ffuller said widdow and all said children have mutually and
firmly Covenanted and Agreed & do by these presents firmly
Covenant and agree for themselves & every of their heirs and
assigns for ever to and with each other That y^e Articles herein
to be mentioned shall be and are the full & satisfying division
and disposall of y^e estate of said m^r ffuller deceased And that
sd Widdow and all y^e children above mentioned are & for ever
will be fully satisfied & contented with this Settlement both of
y^e lands and all y^e goods & chattels of sd estate as hereafter
followeth.

Imp^s It is agreed that Samuel ffuller y^e eldest son of sd
deceased M^r ffuller Quietly possess & enjoy for his portion to
him his heirs & Assigns for Ever that seat of land in y^e Town
of Plimouth aforesaid which formerly was the possession of his
said ffather and of late years Possessed by said Samuel his son
with a house Standing thereupon with all uplands and meadows
& all priviledges belonging thereunto Provided sd Samuel ffuller
pay or Cause to be paid Annually to m^{rs} Elizabeth ffuller Rel-
ict of his said father ten Shillings in Silver money at or before
the first day of each October during y^e time She Remains a
widdow. ffurther it is agreed as aforesaid that John ffuller y^e
Second Son of y^e said deceased have one hundred acres of land
with y^e meadow lying at y^e foote of said land which land said

John ffuller hath now in his possession and is Butting upon Namasket River lying in y^e lands purchased by Captain Thomas Southworth on y^e North side of y^e Road from Lakenham to Namasket River with half y^e meadow lying in y^e Great Meadow said lott of meadow is to be divided into two equall parts and said John ffuller to take his choyce And in that purchase one share of y^e undivided lands of said Purchase And if hereafter said undivided land Shall be divided into lotts then said John ffuller is to have and choose his half of sd Divisions Also it is agreed as aforesaid that said Widdow Elizabeth ffuller Quietly have and possess the House and land which she now possesses in Middlebury Contayning Twenty acres more or less in y^e Homestead Twelve acres more lying by y^e lands of John Haskall and twenty acres of Land more or less lying at y^e uper end of y^e Great meadow in said Captain Southworths purchase together with y^e one half of said meadow divided and undivided Belonging to said Purchase This housing and lands mentioned the said widdow is to enjoy wholly to her own proper use and benifit untill Isaac ffuller the youngest Son of sd ffuller deceased arrive at y^e Age of twentyone years After which said Isaac ffuller is to have the one half of said House and said Widdow to have the other half And said Isaac is then to have two thirds of said Lands and sd Widdow one third during her life and after her decease said Isaac ffuller is to have and enjoy the whole house and all said lands to him his heirs and Assigns for ever It is also further agreed as aforesaid That after all y^e just debts are paid the said Widdow ffuller shall have one full third part of y^e moveables of sd Estate in what specie soever it be to her own proper use and benifit for ever moreover it is agreed that if said widdow dye before her son Isaac come to y^e age of one and twenty years then y^e Guardian of said Isaac hath full power and liberty to lease out said house and land for y^e use and benifit of said Isaac till he Come of age to possess it. further more it is firmly Covenanted and Agreed as aforesaid that upon the decease of said Widdow the said House shall be appraised by persons [p. 247] Indifferently chosen by y^e children concerned and y^e value of it to be divided into Six equall parts and given to Mercy Cole John ffuller Experience wood Elizabeth Eaton Hannah ffuller and Isaac ffuller said Isaac ffuller Reserving his own sixth part of y^e value of said House to himselfe is to pay y^e Remainder of y^e value of said House to his said Brother John and his said ffour sisters each of them a just proportion equally And said Isaac shall have liberty for two year before he pay said legacies to his said Brother and

sisters after he comes to age if at that age of twenty one years he enter upon y^e full and Intire possession of y^e whole house but if it be some years after he is of age before he come fully to possess said house by y^e decease of his mother then he shall be obliged to pay said legacies within a year after his taking possession of said house And if his mother dye before he sd Isaac come of age yet he shall not be obliged to pay said legacies till two years after his being of age furthermore it is agreed as aforesaid that for all y^e lands in plymouth Township that are not before exprest in this Instrument that are part of y^e estate of sd m^r ffuller deceased they are hereby granted & confirmed to Mercy Cole before named to her and her heirs for ever Particularly a Grant of land by said Plimouth Town or Court to said ffuller lying at doteys meadow in said Township And for his land in y^e sixteene shilling purchase and all his Right of land in Assawamset Neck at or near Middleborough aforesaid it is mutually agreed as aforesaid That said land be herby granted and confirmed to Experience Wood Elizabeth Eaton and Hannah ffuller to them their heirs and Assigns forever to be equally divided betwixt them. It is also agreed as aforesd That y^e two thirds of y^e moveable Estate of sd ffuller be divided into four equall parts and to be equally divided betwixt the four sisters above named Mercy Experience Elizabeth and Hannah what each of them hath already Received being to be accounted as part of their portion and accordingly y^e Remainder out of these two thirds to make each of their portions alike for y^e full and firm Confirmation and Establishment of all and every of y^e said Articles the widdow and children before named have set to their hand and Seals this first day of October one thousand Six hundred Ninety and five was y^e day wherein sd widdow and Children made these articles of agreement.

Signed sealed and declared to be	The E mark of	
the joynt agreement of y ^e parties	Elizabeth ffuller	(seal)
herein Concerned in presence of	Samuel ffuller	(seal)
William Bradford	The mark of	
y ^e Mark of Samuel Wood	Mercy Cole	(seal)
Elkanah Cushman	John ffuller	(seal)
Thomas Nelson	John Nelson	(seal)
	James Wood	} (seal)
	Experience Wood	
	Samuel Eighton	} (seal)
	The mark	
	Elizabeth Eaton	
	Hannah ffuller	(seal)

Elizabeth ffuller Samuel ffuller Mercy Cole John ffuller
John Nelson James Wood Experience Wood Samuel Eaton
Elizabeth Eaton Hannah ffuller Coming all of them personally
before me 27th of July 1696 did freely own and acknowledge
y^e Instrument above written to be their act and deed

William Bradford. Justice of peace

Entered on Record Novemb^r 20th 1696.

p^r Sam^l Sprague Register

[Plym. Co. Prob. Rcds., I : 246, 247]

BARNSTABLE, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, page 227.)

[p. 414] y^e Births of y^e Children of John Gorham born at Plymouth
his Daughter Desire y^e 2 of April 1644

At Marshfield {
Temperance y^e 5th of May 1646
Elizabeth y^e 2nd of April 1648
his Son James y^e 28 of April 1650
John y^e 20 of Feb 1651

born at Yarmoth his Son Joseph y^e 16 of Feb 1653

born at Barnstable Jabez y^e 3rd of August 1656

his Daughter Mercy y^e 20 of Jan^{ry} 1658

Lydia y^e 11 of Nov^r 1661

his Daughter Desire Married to John Hawes 7 octo^r 1661

James Gorham & Hannah Huckens was Married y^e 24 Day of Feb
1673

Their Daughter Desire Gorham born y^e 9 Day of Feb 1674

Their son James Gorham born y^e 6 Day of March 1676/7

Their Daughter Experience Gorham born y^e 28 Day of July 1678

Their Son John Gorham born y^e 2nd Day of August 1680

Their Daughter Mehitable Gorham was born 20 Day of April 1683

Their Son Thomas Gorham born y^e 16 Day of Decem^r 1684

Their Daughter Mercy Gorham born y^e 22 of Nov^r 1686

Their son Joseph Gorham born y^e 25 of March 1689

Their son Jabez Gorham born y^e 6th Day of March 1690/1

Their son Sylvanus Gorham born y^e 13 of Octo^r 1693

Their son Ebenezer Gorham born y^e 14 of Feb 1695/6

Their Above s^d Daughter Mercy Gorham Departed y^s Life 12 of
June 1689

M^{rs} Desire Gorham Relict of Cap John Gorham Sen^r Late of Barn-
stable Deceas^d Departed this Life y^e 13 Day of Octo^r 1683 *

* See Maydower Descendant, IV : 217.

John Gorham and Mary Otis Married 24 of Feb 1674
his Son John Born y^e 18 of January 1675 and Died y^e first of April
1679
his Daughter Temporance born y^e 2nd of August 1678
his Daughter Mary born y^e 18 of Sept 1680
his Son Stephen born y^e 23 of June 1683
Shobal his Son Born 2nd of Sept 1686
his Son John Born y^e 28 September 1688
his Daughter Thankful Born y^e 15 of Feb 1690
his Son Job born y^e 30 of August 1692
Mercy his Daughter Born y^e 1 Decem^r 1695
Col Gorham Decea^{sd} y^e 11 of Novem 1716
for y^e Births of y^e Children of Stephen Shobal John Job See y^e
Other New Book

[p. 415] M^r Shobal Gorham was Married to M^{rs} Puelia Hussey May
in y^e year 1695
his Son George born 29 of January 1696/7
his Daughter Abigail born About y^e Latter End of March 1699
his Daughter Lydia born 14 of May 1701
his Daughter Hannah y^e 28 of July 1703
& Theodate 18 of July 1705
Daniel born 24 of Sept^r 1708
& Desire his Daughter born 26 of Sept^r 1710
their Daughter Ruth born 7 of May 1713
The Children of Thomas son of James Gorham
Thomas Gorham his Son Benjamin born 8 of Sep : 1703
Reuben born Decem 10th 1709
Priscilla his Daughter born Decem^r 18 1711
Samuel born 18 of December 1713
Peter born 19 of December 1714
Paul born y^e 6th Day of January 1717
Abraham Born y^e 10th of July 1720
James born June 23 1723
Gershom Gorham June 22 1725
Abigail May 13 Anno Domini 1729
M^r James Gorham & Mary Joyce Married 29 Sep 1709 pr John
Thacher Justice
Their Daughter thankful born 25 May 1711
Roger Goodspeed & Alice Layton married in Decem^r 1641
his Son Nathaniel born 6th of Octo^r 1642
his Son John Born About y^e Middle of June 1645
his Daughter Mary born About y^e Latter End of July 1647
his Son Benjamin born y^e 6 of may 1649
his Daughter Ruth born y^e 10 of April 1652
his Son Ebenezer born About y^e Latter End of Decem 1655
his Daughter Elizabeth born y^e 1 of May 1658
Nath^l Goodspeed and Elizabeth Bursley Married Nov 1666

his Daughter Mary born y^e 18 of February 1667
 Benjⁿ Goodspeed and Mary Davis Married
 Their Daughter Mary born 10 of January 1677
 John GoodSpeed & Experience Holley Married 9 of January 1668
 Their Daughter Mercy born y^e 18 of February 1669
 Their Son Samuel born y^e 23 of June 1670
 Their Son John Born y^e first of June 1673
 Their Daughter Experience born y^e 14 of Sept 1676
 Their Son Benjamin born y^e 31 of March 1679
 Their Daughter Rose born y^e 20 of Feb : 1680
 Their Daughter Bathshua born y^e 17 of Feb 1683
 John Goodspeed y^e Son of John Goodspeed & Rembranc Buck were
 Married the 16 of Feb 1697
 their Daughter Elizabeth born y^e 10 Decem 1698
 & Temperance was Born y^e 17 of February 1699
 Their Son Samuel born y^e 17 of March 1701
 & Cornelius y^e 2 of Feb 1703
 Their Son John Born y^e 16 of Nov^r 1708
 Experience June 24th 1710
 his Daughter Born 24 april 1712
 Benjamin Goodspeed Ju^r & Susannah Allen Married in March 1710
 his Son Joseph born 1 January 1711
 his Daughter Mary born 12 oct 1713
 Their Daughter Mercy Goodspeed born sept^r 26 1725

[p. 416] Ebenezer Goodspeed & Lydia Crowel Married Feb 1677
 Their Son Benjamin born y^e 31 of October 1678
 Their Son born y^e 21 of January 1679 & Deceas^d y^e 20 of December
 1680
 Their Daughter Mehitable born y^e 4 September 1681
 Their Daughter Alice born y^e 30 of June 1683
 Their Son Ebenezer born y^e 10th of Sept^r 1685
 Their Daughter Mary born y^e 2 august 1687
 their Daughter Susannah born y^e 7 of Nov^r 1689
 Their Daughter patience born y^e 1 of June 1692
 Their Daughter Ruth born y^e 12 of July 1694
 Their Daughter Lyddia born In Octo^r y^e 14 1696
 Their Son Roger born Octo^r 14th 1698
 Their Daughter Reliance born 18 September 1701
 Moses Goodspeed born y^e 24 of Nov^r 1704
 Benjamin Goodspeed & Hope Lumbart married pr Esq^r Lothrop
 1707
 Their Son Jabez Goodspeed born 26 January 1707/8
 Their Daughter Jane born 7 Sep 1709
 James Last June 1711
 Their Son David born Nov^r 13 1713
 & Nathan born 7 Octo^r 1715 Nathan Died April 29 1731
 Their Daughter Patience born 25 March 1718

his Son Jonathan Born 23 April 1720
 M^r Samuel Green his Daughter Hannah born y^e 28 March 1716

[p. 417] John Howland his Son Isaac born y^e 25 of Nov^r 1659
 his Daughter Hannah born y^e 15 of May 1661
 his Daughter Mercy y^e 21 of January 1663
 his Daughter Lydia born y^e 9 of January 1665
 his Daughter Experience y^e 28 of July 1668
 his Daughter Anne born y^e 9 of Sept 1670
 his Son Shobal born y^e 30 of Sept 1672
 his Son John born y^e 31 of Decem^r 1674
 Isaac Howland and Ann Tayler Married Decem^r 27 Day 1686
 Their son Ebenezer born y^e 7 of Sep 1687
 Their son Isaac Born y^e 3 of July 1689
 Their Daughter Mary born In Octo^r 1691
 Their Daughter Ann born In Decem^r 1694
 Their Son John Born y^e 2 February 1696
 Their Son Joseph Born y^e Last of July 1702
 Shobal Howland & Mercy Blossom were Married 13 of Decem^r 1700
 pr M^r Russel
 his Son Jabez born y^e 16 of Sept 1701
 his Daughter Mercy born 21 of May 1710
 his Son Zaccheus Howland
 John Howland ju^r his Son George Born 30 Decem 1705
 his Daughter Hannah born 2 of Feb 1708
 Mary August 11th 1711
 Joannah Born y^e 8th Day of January 1715
 by his 2nd Wife Mary Crocker
 his Son John Howland Born 13 Day of Feb 1720 21
 his Son Job Howland In June 1726 1726

(To be continued.)

GOVERNOR BRADFORD'S LETTER BOOK.

(Continued from page 16.)

Mr. CUSHMAN to Gov. BRADFORD.

SIR,

December 22, 1624.

My hearty love remembered unto you, and unto your wife, with trust of your healths, and contentment amidst so many difficulties. I am now to write unto you, from my friend, and from myself, my friend and your friend. Mr. Sherley, who lieth even at the point of death, intreated me, even with tears,

to write to excuse him, and signify how it was with him; he remembers his hearty, and as he thinks his last, salutations to you, and all the rest, who love our common cause. And if God does again raise him up, he will be more for you (I am persuaded) than ever he was. His unfeigned love towards us, hath been such, as I cannot indeed express; and though he be a man not swayed with passion, or led by uninformed affections, yet hath he cloven to us still amidst all persuasions of opposites; and could not be moved to have an evil thought of us, for all their clamours. His patience and contentment in being oppressed hath been much; he hath sometimes lent £800 at one time, for other men to adventure in this business, all to draw them on; and hath indeed by his free heartedness been the only glue of the company. And if God should take him now away, I scarce think much more would be done, save as to enquire at the dividend what is to be had.

He saith he hath received the tokens you sent, and thanks you for them: he hath sent you a cheese, &c. Also he hath sent an heifer to the plantation, to begin a stock for the poor. There is also a bull and three or four jades, to be sold unto you, with many other things, for apparel and other uses; which are committed to Mr. Alerton and Mr. Winslow, who as factors are to sell them to you; and it was fitter for many reasons, to make them factors than yourself, as I hope you will easily conceive.

And I hope though the first project cease, yet it shall be never the worse for you, neither will any man be discouraged, but wait on God, using the good means you can. I have no time to write many things unto you; I doubt not but upon the hearing of this alteration some discontent may arise, but the Lord I hope will teach you the way which you shall choose. For myself as I have laboured by all means, to hold things here together, so I have patiently suffered this alteration; and do yet hope it shall be good for you all, if you be not too rash, and hasty; which if any be, let them take heed they reap not the fruit of their own vanities.

But for you, good Sir, I hope you will do nothing rashly, neither will you be swayed, by misreports, beside your ordinary course, but will persuade who may be, to patience, and peace; and to the bearing of labours, and crosses in love together.

I hope the failings of your friends here, will make you the more friendly one to another, that so all our hopes may not be dashed. Labour to settle things, both in your civil, and religious courses, as firm, and as full as you can. Lastly, I must

intreat you still, to have a care of my son, as of your own ; and I shall rest bound unto you, I pray you let him sometime practice writing. I hope the next ships to come to you ; in the mean space and ever, the Lord be all your direction, and turn all our crosses and troubles to his own glory, and our comforts, and give you to walk so wisely, and holily, as none may justly say, but they have always found you honestly minded, though never so poor. Salute all our friends, and supply, I pray you, what, if failing in my letters. From London, *December 22, A.D. 1624.*

Thus were his last letters. And now we lost the help of a wise and faithful friend, he wrote of the sickness, and probability of the death of another ; but knew not that his own was so near, what cause have we therefore ever to be ready ! He purposed to be with us the next ships, but the Lord did otherwise dispose ; and had appointed him a greater journey, to a better place. He was now taken from these troubles into which (by this division) we were so deeply plunged. And heer I must leave him to rest with the Lord. And will proceed to other letters which will further shew our proceedings and how things went on.

Gov. BRADFORD to Mr. CUSHMAN.

Loving and kind friend, I most heartily thank you ; and would be right glad to see you here, with many other of our old and dear friends, that we might strengthen, and comfort one another, after our many troubles, travels, and hardships. I long greatly for friends of Leyden, but I fear, I shall now scarce ever see them, save in heaven ; but the will of the Lord be done. We have rid ourselves of the company of many of those, who have been so troublesome unto us ; though I fear we are not yet rid of the troubles themselves. I hear Culdom * comes himself into England ; the which if he do, beware of him, for he is very malicious, and much threatens you ; thinking he hath some advantage by some words you have spoken. Touching his factious doings here, and our proceedings with him, I refer you for it, and many other things to the relations of Captain Standish, whom we have thought most meet for sundry reasons, to send at this time. I pray you be as helpful to him

* This was unquestionably a misreading and should have been "Ouldom", *i. e.* "Oldham." -- Editor.

as you can; especially in making our provisions, for therein he hath the least skill.

We have sent by this first ship, a good parcel of commodities, to wit: As much beaver and other furs, as will amount to upwards of £277, sterling, at the rates they were sold the last year. In part of payment of those goods, they and you sent to be sold to us. But except we may have things, both more serviceable, and at better rates, we shall never be able to rub through; therefore if we could have some ready money disbursed to buy things at the best hand, it would be greatly in our way. Special care is to be had of procuring us good trucking stuff, for without it we can do nothing; the reason why heretofore we have got so little is, because we never had any that was good till Mr. Winslow brought some over.

Our people will never agree, any way again to unite with the Company; who have cast them off with such reproach and contempt; and also returned their bills, and all debts upon their heads. But as for those our loving friends, who have, and still do stick to us, and are deeply engaged for us, and are most careful of our goods, for our parts we will ever be ready to do any thing, that shall be thought equal and mete.

But I think it will be best to press, a clearance with the company; either by coming to a dividend, or some other indifferent course or composition; for the longer we hang and continue in this confused and lingering condition, the worse it will be, for it takes away all heart and courage, from men, to do any thing. For notwithstanding any persuasion to the contrary, many protest they will never build houses, fence grounds, or plant fruits for those, who not only forsake them, but use them as enemies, lading them with reproach and contumely. Nay they will rather ruin that, which is done, than they should possess it. Whereas if they knew what they should trust to, the place would quickly grow and flourish with plenty, for they never felt the sweetness of the country till this year; and not only we but all planters in the land begin to do it. Let us be as little engaged about fishing, or any other projects, as you can, to draw us away from our own employments for they will be the most beneficial unto us. I suppose to spend our own salt and to employ as many of our own boats as we can, will be best for us. If we had but kept two a trading this year, it would have been twice as good as our fishing; though I hope the ships will return with good voyages.

Your son and all of us, are in good health, (blessed be God) he received the things you sent him. I hope God will make

him a good man. My wife remembers her love unto you, and thanks you for her spice. Billington still rails against you, and threatens to arrest you, I know not wherefore; he is a knave, and so will live and die. Mr. John Pearce wrote he would make a parliamentary matter, about our grand patent, I pray you wish our friends to look to it, for I mistrust him, I perceive there passeth intelligence between Mr. Weston, and him, by means of Mr. Hix. He is come again hither, and is not yet quiet about that £100. The Lord hath so graciously disposed, that when our opposites thought, that many would have followed their faction, they so distasted their palpable dishonest dealings, that they stuck more firmly unto us, and joined themselves to the Church. But time cuts me off, for other things; I refer you to my other more general, and larger letters, and so with my renewed salutations, and best love remembered unto you. I commend you and all our affairs, to the guidance of the Most High, and so rest, your assured loving friend,

WILLIAM BRADFORD.

New-Plymouth, June 9, 1625.

[*Mr. Cushman died before this letter arrived.*]

Next follows a letter to the Council of New England, wherein their help was supplicated.

To the right Honourable his Majesty's Council for New England these be, &c.

Right Honourable,

June 28, A.D. 1625.

The assurance we have of your noble dispositions to releave the oppressions of the innocent, doth cause us to fly unto you, as to a sanctuary, in this our just cause. It hath pleased the divine Providence to bring us into this place where we inhabit under your government, wherein we now have resided almost these five years, having put some life, into this then dreaded, design, made way for others and to all that are here, have been and still are their bulwark and defence.

Many necessities we have undergone, incident to the raw, and immature beginnings of such great exertions, and yet are subject to many more. We are many people, consisting of all sorts, as well women children, as men; and are now left, and forsaken of our adventurers, who will neither supply us with necessaries for our subsistence, nor suffer others that would be willing; neither can we be at liberty to deal with others, or provide for ourselves, but they keep us tied to them, and yet

they will be loose from us ; they have not only cast us off, but entered into particular course of trading, and have by violence, and force, taken at their pleasure, our possession at Cape Ann. Traducing us with unjust, and dishonest clamours abroad, disturbing our peace at home ; and some of them threatening, that if ever we grow to any good estate they will then nip us in the head. Which discouragements do cause us to slack our diligence, and care to build and plant, and cheerfully perform our other employments, not knowing for whom we work whether friends or enemies.

Our humble suit therefore to your good lordships and honours is, that seeing they have so unjustly forsaken us, that you would vouchsafe to convene them before you, and take such order, as we may be free from them ; and they come to a division with us, that we and ours may be delivered from their evil intents against us. So shall we comfortably go forward, with the work we have in hand, as first to God's glory, and the honour of our king ; so to the good satisfaction of your honours, and for our present, common, and after good of our posterity. The prosecution of this, we have committed to our agent Captain Myles Standish, who attends your Honourable pleasures.

The great God of heaven and earth, who hath put into your hearts, to travail in this honourable action, strengthen your hearts and hands hereunto ; and gave his blessing answerable to your worthy endeavours. In all humbleness we commit ourselves to your honourable direction and protection. And rest with the knowledge, consent and humble request of the whole plantation ever at commandment.

WILLIAM BRADFORD, *Gov.*

But by reason of the great plague which raged this year in London, of which so many thousands died weekly, Captain Standish could do nothing either with the Council of New England, or any other hereabout, for there was no Courts kept or scarce any commerce held, the city being in a sort desolate, by the fervent pestilence, and flight of so many. So as he was forced to return ; having by the help of some friends (with much ado, and great both trouble and peril to himself) procured a convenient supply ; which he brought with him to save our greatest necessities.

A Letter of Mr. Fletcher's, showing his great loss of the little James ; she and the beaver in her, which was sent for the

*goods we bought the other year, being for the most part his ;
and was taken by the Turks to his utter undoing.*

*To his loving friends Mr. BRADFORD, Mr. ALLERTON, and Mr.
WINSLOW, salutations, &c.*

London, November 25, 1625.

My last unto you, was of the death of Mr. Robinson and what else then needful, since which I have received divers letters from you, and perceive at large what things you want, and do desire, and with what grievances you have been oppressed. And had the Lord so disposed, as to have sent us the pinace home, no doubt myself would have seen you well supplied ; and some of your grievances should have been removed, but so it is, that all power therein to do you good, is wholly (by God's providence) taken from me. And so I much fear, that this year you will hardly be able to do yourselves, or your friends much good, but patience, &c.

And for other affairs either touching myself, and my necessities I am put unto, besides disgrace and reproach from many ; as also touching the rest of our adventurers, who fall from me like the water brooks, as Job complains. I say for all these things, and many more here passed, I refer you to your Agent, and my loving friend, Captain Standish, who can certify you all things at large ; as also of the feigned and perfidious dealings of Mr. John Peirce towards me, and others, who now hath manifest himself, at least to some, not to mind that good for you, or us, as was fit, and oft pretended. But all these things, they come from God for diverse reasons as first, to humble us, and subdue our corruption ; 2d, to win us from the world. 3d, to add unto our joy to come. 4th, to shew forth the great power, goodness and mercy of our God, in preserving us in, and delivering us out of the same. Wherefore let us be patient, and thankful without murmuring, Amen, Amen. And so with my hearty well wishes for you all, and your general good ; for which I shall often approach to the throne of grace, and expect the like from you, and so I leave you with this salutation, fare you well, my brethren all, fare you well ; and God of grace and peace, bless you, and your posterities to the coming of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Your loving friend, in what I can.

THOMAS FLETCHER.

(To be continued.)

GOVERNOR JOSIAH WINSLOW'S WILL AND INVENTORY.

Transcribed from the Original Records,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

GOVERNOR JOSIAH WINSLOW, son of Governor Edward Winslow, died at Marshfield on 18/28 December, 1680. His will and inventory are recorded in the Plymouth Colony Wills and Inventories, Volume IV, Part II, pages 115, 116 and 117.

To all Christian people to whome these p'sents shall Come Josiah Winslow of Marshfeild in the Colony of New plymouth in New England sendeth greeting In the Lord god everlasting, And further Know yee. That I the said Josiah Winslow being by y^e goodnes of God in Competent health, and of sound memory, but sensible of my fraylety, and that I am subject to suddayne Changes. Revooking hereby any other or former will by me at any time made, doe declare and order this to be my last will and Testament.

Imp'mis I bequeath my body to the dust in decent buriall, And my soul to god that gave it, with some Comfortable persuasion of my resurrection to life and glory at the great and last day. And respecting the temporall estate wherewith it hath pleased god to bless me, My will and desier is, that all my Just debts be truely and seasonably paid and discharged by my Executrix that shall hereafter be declared

Item I give to my loveing sister Elyzabeth Corwin * my pockett watch, that was sometimes our honored fathers

Item I doe hereby Confirme unto my Kinsman John Brook (son to my said sister) all those my lands that are on pachaeg neck in the Township of Middlebery with the meadows and previledges thereunto appertaining and a hundred acres more of land layed out to me on the northerly side of Teticut River to him and to his heirs for ever.

Item I give unto my Brother Resolved White a suat and Cloak of my wearing apparrell.

Item I give to my Brother Peregrine White my spanish rapier & buffe belt with silver Claspes

* See Mayflower Descendant, I : 238-240.

Item I give to my kinsman William White a feather bed bolster rug blankett and a pair of sheets at what time he shall leave my wife & family

Item As a Testimony of my respect to her though in so smale a matter I give unto my Aunt M^{rs} Elyzabeth pelham two mares

Item I give to my Brother Edward pelham if he returne againe to New England a young horse for his owne riding

Item I give to the Reverend M^r Samuell Arnold such books of divinity as he now hath of mine in his possession & y^e anotations on the bible by the assembly of English divines

Item I give to Elyzabeth Gray when she marrieth or leaves my wife one Cow.

Item I give to the poor of this Towne of Marshfeild one Cow.

And my debts and above mentioned legacies being paid, my will is That all the rest of my estate (viz) my houseing and lands goods Chattles and whatsoever be in the present possession and improvement of my affectionate and loveing wife Penelope Winslow (whome I here make and declare my sole Executrix) for her support and lively hood, And for the bringing up of our Children, To each of whome my desier and will is that good education may be given according to their sex and as my estate will bear

And I doe will and bequeath to my daughter Elyzabeth Winslow out of my sd estate the sum of three hundred pounds, besides what may be given her by any other frinds which three hundred pounds shall be paid to her at such time as she arives at eighteen yeers of age, or at the time of her marriage, which shall first be, if it may Conveniently be doone without selling any part of the lands wheron I live, or putting my wife and family too much to straytes, but if my wife find that she Cannot pay more then half the said sum of three hundred pounds at times above mentioned, Then my will is that the rest be paid at time of my wives decease, with y^e addition of fifty pounds more for the forbearance.

And if it shall please god to lengthen out my wifes life untill our son Isack attaines to one & twenty yeers of age, My will is that the personall estate then resting (my daughters portion taken out as above) shall be equally devided between my dear wife and my said son, onely in all devisions my wife to have her Choyce, And my further will is, that as the personall estate shall be equally devided between my wife & my said son when he Comes of age, In like manner shall the house,

out housing, and lands be equally devided between my wife and my said son during my wives naturall life, and that at my wives decease, The whole of my housen and lands at Marshfeild aforesaid shall be fully, freely, and absolutely to my said son Isack and to his heirs for ever, And if my said son should dye before he Come to age of one and twenty yeers not leaving lawfull issue by him begotten, or after he Comes of age if he dye without Issue (being yet possessed of the said estate) My will is, that then the estate of housen and lands shall as freely and absolutely goe unto, rest in, and settle upon my daughter Elyzabeth and her heirs for ever, but if god should take away both my above named Children, my dear wife yet surviveing [p. 116] My will is that then my whole estate shall be unto my said wife and to her heirs for ever she then paying within the Compass of a yeer, one hundred pounds in good and currant pay (viz) fifty ponds to my sisters son John Brooke if then liveing, or to his Child, or Children if he have any; And other fifty pounds to some other of my neer relations, who by their love and respect to her and hers, she shall see best deserving, And if John Brooke dye without issue the said fifty pounds not paid, that then it be paid to my sister Elyzabeth Corwin if liveing, or otherwise to some Child of hers by Captaine Georg Corwin her present husband

What other lands I have or may hereafter have at Succonett, or els where that I have not mentioned, nor disposed of I leave as Chattles at the free dispose of my Executrix, for paiment of my debts, or to make a part of my daughters portion or for other necessary occasions as she may see cause.

And my further will is that any thing above mentioned notwithstanding, It shall be lawfull for my said Executrix upon urgent necessity for the support and Comfort of her selfe and my Children, To sell a part of my lands at Marshfeild (whereon we now live) provided that a full halfe be reserved with the house and housen on it, And that in such matter of Importance she have the Concurrent advice and asistance of my overseers

And finally my request and desier is, That my respected Brother Captaine George Corwin my Cuzen M^r Peter Sergiant and my Cuzen Nathaniell Winslow will be pleased to guide and assist my said Executrix in such matters of importance as may be to weighty for her, And if any of my friends above named shall not accept of the trust which out of my good respect to them, I here nominate and appoint them unto or if after their acceptance god should remove any of them by death or otherwise that they cannott in such a way be helpfull to her; My

Item To a Covered Counterpane and other things in a Closett	2	10
The widdows bed not prised		
Item To a bed in y ^e Garrett and other things		15
Item To pewter bras & bell mettles in y ^e middle kitchin	22	15
Item To Iron and wooden ware. &c.		5
Item To Glasses Earthen ware and other things in y ^e seller	1	10
Item To horse furniture Carts plows chains & other takling		3
Item To neat Cattle of all sorts	77	15
Item To Sheepe	11	4
Item To Swine		8
Item To his horse flesh of all sorts		16
William Bradford		
Marke Eames		

HARWICH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

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hannah sears Daughter To samuell and Ruth sears was born June the 3 day 1720

Samuell sears son to Samuell and Ruth sears was born in december the 5 day 1721

Isaac sears son to samuell and Ruth sears was born in october 5 day 1723

seth sears son to samuell and Ruth sears was born in April the 9 day 1725

[p. 50] Manoah Ellice and Elizebeth adkins were married on novemb : 22^d : 1710

In Harwich August 24th : 1710 then John gage and Jane Tupper were married by me Joseph doane Just^s Peace

Jonathan ffreeman son to Jonathan and Mercy ffreeman was born march 26th 1709/10 :

marcy freeman daughter to Jonathan and marcy ffreeman was born in April 24 day 1711

bradford freeman son to Jonathan and marcy ffreeman was born in August the 15 day 1713

Ichabod ffreeman son to Jonathan freeman decesed and marcy free-man was born August 2 : 1714

[p. 51] Thomas ffreeman son to Thomas and mary freeman was born september 13th 1708

James ffreeman son to Thomas and mary freeman was born october . 9th. 1710

Bersheva freeman daughter to Thomas and mary ffreeman was born
march The 22th 1713
Samuell freeman son to Thomas and mary freeman was born in
August the 8 day 1715
Thacher freeman son to Joseph and Lidea freeman was born de-
cember 3^d 1710
Elezebeth freeman daughter to Joseph and Lidah freeman was born
in desember the 14* day 1712
Joseph freeman son to Joseph and lidea ffreeman was born march
the 25 day 1714/15
Lidea freeman daughter to Joseph and Lidea freeman was Born in
october 22 day 1717 one tusday
Rebakah ffreeman daughter to Joseph and Lidea ffreeman was Born
April 23 day 1720
Thomas Freeman son to Joseph and Lidea Freeman was born in
march 23 day 1721/22

[p. 52] desiere ffreeman daughter to beniamin and Temperance free-
man was born April 20th 1711 :
Rebeckah freeman daughter to beniaman and Tempreance ffreeman
wa[s] born in march the 27 day 1713
Temperance ffreeman daughter To Benjamin and Temperance free-
man was Born october 1715
Benjamin freeman son to Benjamin and Temperance ffreeman was
Born in Janawary the 10 day 1717/18
Sarah freeman daughter to Benjamin and temperance ffreeman was
Born in march 11 day 1719/20
fear freeman Daughter to Benjanin and Temperance ffreeman was
Born in march 23 day 1721/2
John Freeman son to Benjamin and Temperance Freeman was born
in July 29 day 1729
mehitable Freeman Daughter to Benjamin and Temperance Freeman
was Born in november the 4 day 1731
Aprile 26 : 1711 Then William Crosby and mercy Hinckly were
Married by me Joseph Doane Justic peace
Thankfull Crosby daughter to wiliam and marcy Crosby was born
february 7 day 1713/14
Tuley Crosby son to william and marcy Crosby was born in january
11 day 1715/16
mehitable Crosby daughter to wiliam and marcy Crosby was Born
in february 8 day 1717/18
wiliam Crosby son to wiliam and marcy Crosby was Born in January
.13 day 1719/20
Nathan Crosby son to wiliam and marcy Crosby was Born in march
20 day 1722/3
Seth Crosby son to wiliam and marcy Crosby was born in January
the 15 day 1724/5

* The "4" was apparently written over a "3."

huldah Crosby daughter to wiliam and marcy Crosby was Born in April the 20 day 1726

[p. 58] Sarah Hurd daughter To John and Hanah Hord was born August 24th : 1711 :

Rebekah hurd daughter to John and hannah hurd was born in April 7 day 1713

Joseph hurd son to John and hannah hurd was Born in february 5 day 1716/17

Deborah hurd Daughter to John and hannah hurd was Born in march 13 day 1718/19

Benjamin Hurd son to John and hanah hurd was Born July 18 day 1721

John hurd son to John and hanah hurd was Born november 22 : 1723

hannah hurd Daughter to John and hannah hurd was born february 22 1730/1

Joshua Hinckly son to Thomas and Mercy hinckly was born march 29th 1707

Thomas hinckly son to Thomas hinckly and mercy was born march : 11th : 1708/9

marcy freeman daughter to wiliam and marcy freeman was born In march the 6 day 1712/13

wiliam ffreeman son to wiliam and marcy ffreeman was born in may 12 day 1715

danel freeman son to william and marcy ffreeman was Born in december 30 day 1717

marcy ffreeman daughter to william and marcy ffreeman was born february 19 day 1719/20

apphia freeman Daughter to william and marcy ffreeman was Born in march the 21 day 1721/2

Isaac Freeman son to wiliam and marcy Freeman was Born in December 22 day 1724

Lidea freeman Daughter to wiliam and marcy Freeman was Born in February the 7 day 1730/31

Solamon Freeman son to wiliam and marcy Freeman was born in January the 30 day 1732/3

Simeon freeman son to William and marcy freeman was born in September the 28 day 1735

[p. 61] Phillip Vincent and Mercy Winslow was married March 8 : 1710/11

Jonathan Linkorn and Hanah Clark were married on april 26 : 1711

John linclon son to Jonathan and Hanah linclon was born march 6 : 1711/12

Benjaman linclon son to Jonathan and hanah linclon was born January The 23 day 1713/14

Clark Linclon son to Jonathan and hanah Linclon was Born in february 7 day 1715/16

hanah Linclon daughter to Jonathan and hanah linclon was Born in
January 3 day 1717/18

Sarah Lincoln Daughter to Jonathan and hannah Lincoln was Born
in April the 24 day 1720

Andrew Clerk Elizebeth Winslow married on August : 9th : 1711 :
mehetable Clark daughter to Andrew and Elezebeth Clark was born
october 29 day 1712

Elezebeth Clark daughter to Andrew and Elezebeth Clark was born
may 25 day 1714

Elizebeth Clark daughter to Andrew and Elizebeth Clark was born
january 18 day 1716/17

Thankfull Clark Daughter to Andrew and Elezebeth Clark was Born
in November the 18 day 1721

Eunes Clark Daughter to Andrew and Elezebeth Clark was Born in
october the 28 day 1724

hannah Clark Daughter to Andrew and Elezebeth Clark was Born in
June the 13 day 1726

[p. 62] Robert Ostine and Hanah Whinge on february 7th 1711/12
Joseph Hopkins and Mary Mayo on Aprile 17th : 1712 :

Isaac hopkins son to Joseph and mary hopkins was born march 10
day 1712/13

Joseph hopkins son to Joseph and mary hopkins was born may 10
day 1715

mary Hopkins daughter to Joseph and mary hopkins was Born in
december 15 day 1716

Jonathan hopkins son to Joseph and mary hopkins was Born Feb-
uary 12 : 1719/20

hannah hopkins daughter to Joseph and mary hopkins was born in
october 22 day 1722

Nathan hopkins son to Joseph and mary hopkins was Born in Au-
gust 22 day 1726

nathanel sears and susanah gray married october 10 1712

Samuel bery and rebeckah gray was married october 16 1712

John Wing and Bethyah winslow was married march 5 1712/3

Prence hopkins son to Joseph and mary hopkins was born in July
the 8 day 1729

Prence hopkins son to Joseph and mary hopkins was Born in July
the 7 day 1731

Nathan Hopkins son to Joseph and mary Hopkins was was Born in
october the 6 day 1733

Elezebeth hopkins Daughter to Joseph and mary hopkins was born
in June the 6 day 1738

[p. 64] Samuell banges The son of Jonathan and Elezebeth banges
was born in September In the year 1696

Jonathan banges The son of Jonathan and Elezebeth banges was
born In desember 1698

and Thankfull banges daughter to Jonathan and Elezebeth banges was born In february In the year 1702/3
 Wiliam banges son to Jonathan and Elezebeth bangs was born In may the year 1707
 Elezebeth banges daughter to Jonathàn and Experanc banges was born In march 6th In the year 1711/12
 John Banges son to Jonathan and Experanc banges was born in August 11 day 1714
 James Banges son to Jonathan and Experence Banges was born in April the 4 day 1716
 hubard Banges son to Jonathan and Experanc Bangs was born in march 12 day 1717/18
 and marcy Banges daughter to Jonathan and Expearance Bangs was in march 12 day 1718 These two ware twins
 Abna Banges son to Jonathan and Experance banges was Born in August the 1 day 1720
 Samuell Banges son to Jonathan and Experence Banges was born in* Mary banges daughter to Jonathan and Experance Banges was born in November 5 day 1724
 and their son Elishua bangs was born dec^r 21th 1727
 Samuell Coal The son of Stephan and Elezebeth Coal was born In January the Eight day 1712/13
 Stephen Cole Son to Stephan and Elezebeth Cole was born in April the 14 day 1714
 Elezebeth Cole daughter to Stephen and Rebakah Cole his second wife was born in may the 9 day 1726

(To be continued.)

PLYMOUTH COLONY DEEDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 86.)

[INDENTURE OF BENJAMIN SAVORY.]

[p. 91] 1653

Bradford Gov^r

An agreement made the 3^d Day of November in the yeare of our Lord 1653 between John Shaw senior Inhabitant of the towne of New Plymouth and Alice Shaw his wife on the one ptie; And Thomas Savory and Annis Savory his wife of the same place on the other ptie as followeth;

The aforsaid Thomas Savory and Annis Savory his wife Doth freely Deliver their sonne Beniamine unto the aforsaid

* The date was not filled in.

John Shaw and Alice his wife to live with them untill hee bee one and twenty yeares of age hee beinge nine yeares old in march next Next ensuing in consideration heerof the aforesaid John Shaw is to pay to the aforesaid Thomas Savory thirty shillings p^rsent paied; And when the aforesaid Beniamine Savory is one and twenty yeares of age the aforesaid John Shaw is to give him five pounds or a Cow to the worth of five pounds; But if incase that the aforesaid John Shaw or Alice Shaw his wife one or both of them should Decease before the said Beniamines terme of yeares bee expired; the said Beniamine Savory is to stay and serve out his time with Jonathan Shaw the sonne of the aforesaid John Shaw and the said Jonathan Shaw is to pforme all the conditions above mencioned; And likewise the said Jonathan Shaw is to teach him his learning writing and reading within the tearme of yeares abov[e] mencioned; And when his time is expired the said Jonathan Shaw is to give him two suites of apparrell and likewise the said Jonathan Shaw is to teach the said Beniamine Savory whatsoever trad[e] the said Jonathan Shaw can Doe; And in Witnesse heerunto wee have enterchangably sett to our hands the Day and yeare above written

In the p^rsence of

Robert Lee

Robert Barker his marke

Willam Spooner his marke

John Shaw his mar[ke]

Alice Shaw her mar[ke]

Jonathan Shaw

Thomas Savory

Annis Savory her mar[ke]

[*On inner margin of page.*]

Jonathan Shaw is cleared of any engagement unto Beniamine Savory; by mutuall Consent of all the psons concerned in these Covenants that are now alive with the approbation of the majestrates att the court held att Plymouth the 4th march 1657

[JOHN WINSLOW TO JOHN SHAW.]

The 28th of December 1653

Memorand; That M^r John Winslow of the towne of Plymouth in the Jurisdiction of New Plym: Doth acknowledg that for and in considerati[on] of the summe of 3 pounds and six shillings to him in hand paied by John Shaw senior of Plymouth aforesaid planter; hee hath freely and absolu[tly] barganed and sold unto the said John Shaw a pcell of mersh meddow containing two acres bee it more or lesse lying in greenharbour mersh att a place called the pinney point over against wood Island lying next a spell of mersh belonging to M^{rs} Jenings;

To have and to hold the said two acres of Mersh meddow bee it more or lesse with all and singulare the appurtenances belonging therunto unto the said John Shaw his heires and assigns for e[v]er; unto the onely proper use and behoofe of him the said John Shaw his heires and assigns for ever

Acknowledged before M^r Bradfo[rd] Gov^r

[PHILIP DELANO TO JOHN CHURCHILL AND BENAJAH PRATT.]

[p. 93] 1653

Bradford Gov^r

The 17th of January 1653

Memorand: That Phillip Delano of the Towne of Duxbury in the Jurisdiction of Plymouth in New England and Mary his wife Doe acknowledg that ffor and in consideration of the summe of nine pound[s] for which said summe John Churchill and Bennaiah Pratt have given bill unto them for the paiement therof; they have bargained and sold unto the said John Churchill and Bennaiah Pratt and house and land beinge Scituate neare Plymouth aforesaid which was somtimes the house and land of Willam Pontus and James Glasse both Deceased beinge a pte therof bounded with the land of John Dunham senior; and the other pte lying up into the woods somewhat Distant from the other; lying next the common the whole being estimated att about twenty acres bee it more or lesse; To have and to hold the said house and twenty acres of upland bee it more or lesse with all and singulare the appurtenances privildges and emunities therunto belonging or unt[o] any pte or pcell therof unto the said John Churchill and Bennaiah Pratt to them and their heires and assigns forever; The said p^rmises with all the said Phillip and Mary Delano their right title and enterest of and into the same and every pte and pcell therof with all and singulare the outhouses fences fruit trees and all other appurtenan[c]e[s] belonging to the said p^rmises or unto any pte or pcell therof to appertaine unto the onely proper use and behoofe of them the said John Churchill and Bennaiah Pratt to them and their and every of their heires and assigns for ever;

[PHILIP DELANO TO JOHN CHURCHILL.]

The 17th of January 1653

Memorand; That Phillip Delano of the towne of Duxbury and Mary his wife Doe acknowledge that for and in consideration of a bill of eight pounds given unto them by John

Churchill of the towne of Plymouth in New England they have freely and absolut[ly] barganed and sold unto the said John Churchill a pcell of mersh meddow lying att the watering place neare Plymouth aforesaid ; w^h was somtimes the meddow of Wil-lam Pontus and James Glasse Deceased, being by esteemation about an acre and an halfe bee it more or lesse ; To have and to hold the said acre and an half[e] of mersh meddow bee it more or lesse with all and singulare the fences and all other appurtenances upon or any way belonging unto the same or any pte or pcell therof ; with all the said Phillip and Mary Delano their right title and enterest of and into the same ; unto the said John Churchill his heires and assignes for ever ; the said p^rmis with all and singulare the appurtenances ther-unto belonging to appertaine unto the onely proper use and behoof of him the said John Churchill his heires and assignes for ever ;

furthermore it was agreed by the pties above w^ritten mutually that incase the true propriators when they come to bee of age, shall require and attaine the abovesaid houses lands and meddows, or any pte therof that then and att such time that which hath been paid for the same shalbee returned unto the said John Churchill and Bennaiah Prat by the said propriators, alwaies provided that the said lands and meddowes bee left in in as good a posture as they find it

These two conveyances abovewri[tt]e[n] were acknowledged before M^r Bradford Gov^r the Day and yeare above mencioned ;

[JOHN JOURDAINE TO JOHN BARNES.]

[p. 95] 1653

Bradford Gov^r

A Deed appointed to bee recorded

Know all men by these p^rsents that I John Jourdain of Plymouth Tayler Doe acknowledge that ffor and in consideration of the summe of five shilling[s] to mee in hand paid by John Barnes of Plymouth aforesaid I have freely and absolutly barganed and sold unto the said John Barnes a smale pcell of upland ground being about two pole and an halfe in length ; and being in the breadth therof equall to the breadth of a garden plott belonging to Edward holman att the neather end unto which garden plott it adioyneth ; And I Doe heerby alsoe acknowledge that I sold the said pcell of land unto John Barnes in the yeare one thousand six hundred forty and two ; although not untell now acknowledged and confeirmed ; The said pcell of upland lying att the neather end of the garden plott of Edward

holman aforesaid in Plymouth aforesaid to belong unto the said John Barnes his neires and assignes for ever; To have and to hold the said p^rmises with all and singulare the appurtenances therunto belonging to appertaine unto the said John Barnes his heires and assignes for ever unto the onely proper use and behoofe of him the said John Barnes his heires and assignes for ever; In Witnesse wherof I have heer unto sett my hand the 28th of December 1653

In the p^rsence of
Nathaniell Morton
Charles Cambell

John Jordaine

[SAMUEL HICKS TO ROBERT BARTLETT.]

[p. 97] 1653

Bradford Gov^r

The 30th of January 1653

Memorand: That Samuell hickes of Plymouth in New England planter Doth acknowldige that for and in consideration of the summe of eighteene pounds for which hee hath received a bill of Robert Bartlet of Plymouth aforesaid cooper hee hath freely and absolutly bargained allianated and sould enfeofed and confeirmed and pr these p^rsent Doth bargain sell enfeofe and confeirm unto the said Robert Bartlett a certaine tract of land lying on the southside of the towne of Plymouth aforesaid conteining eleven acres bee it more or less being bounded on the one side by the gardenplots of John Barnes &c and the land of Gorge Watson; and on the southside by the land of M^{rs} fuller; the neather end abutting on the bay and soe extending it selfe in the length therof up towards the common hieway; To have and to hold the said eleeven acres of upland bee it more or lesse with all and singular[e] the fences and all other appurtenances privildges and emunities; in upon or any way belonging unto the said tract of land or any pte or pcell therof unto the said Robert Bartlett his heires and assignes for ever; with warrantice against all psons and people whatsoever that from by or under him or any before him that shall or may challenge any title or interest of and in the p^rmises or any pte or pcell therof heerby covenanting to Defend the title and proprietie therof unto the said Robert Bartlet hee his heires and assignes for ever; The said p^rmises with all and singulare the appurtenances privildges and emunities therunto belonging to appertaine unto the onely proper use & behoof of him the said Robert Bartlett his heires and assignes for ever; provided that the said Robert is not to enter on the full possession of the

said land untill the 15th of October 1654; And from that time as abovesaid to belonge unto the said Robert Bartlet his heires and assignes for ever

[SAMUEL HICKS TO WILLIAM HARLOW.]

The 30th of January 1653

Memorand: That Samuell hickes of Plymouth in New England Planter Doth acknowlidge that for and in consideration of the summe of eight pounds for w^h hee hath received a bill of Willam harlow of Plymouth aforesaid cooper hee hath freely and absolutly bargained and sold enfeofed and confeirmed and by these p^rsents Doth bargaine sell enfeofe and confeirme unto the said Willam harlow a certaine pcell or tract of upland ground conteing foure acres bee it more or lesse; lying neare unto a place commonly called and knowne by the name of the watering place neare Plymouth aforesaid being bounded on the northside by the land of M^{is} ffuller; on the east with the meddow of John Dunham and John Churchill and on the south side by the common; To have and to hold the said foure acres of upland bee it more or lesse soe bounded as aforesaid with all and singulare the fences and all other appurtenances privildges and emunities in upon or any way belonging therunto or unto any pte or psell therof unto the said Willam harlow his heires and assignes for ever heerby Warranticeing and covenanting to Defend the sale and title therof against all people and psons whatsoever unto the said Willam harlow hee his heires and assignes for ever; The said p^rmises with all and singulare the appurtenance[s] privildges and emunities belonging therunto; to appertaine unto the onely proper use and behoofe of him the said Willam harlow hee his heires and assignes for ever provided also that the said Willam harlow is not to enter on the full possession of the said p^rmises untill the 15th of October 1655, and from that time to enjoy the abovesaid p^rmises with all and singulare the appurtenances unto him an[d] his heires and assignes forever;

The Day and yeare above written; Lidya the wife of the said Samuell hickes came before the Gov^r and gave her free consent unto the sale of the abovesai[d] lands with all their appurten[ances] according to the conditions abovewrit[ten]

(To be continued.)

THE RECORDS OF WELLFLEET, FORMERLY THE
NORTH PRECINCT OF EASTHAM, MASS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 232.)

Sept : y^e 21 1726

The Inhabitants of y^e North precinct of Eastham being Leagally notified and assembled . to consider and doe what may be thought proper upon y^e determination of y^e Courts upon y^e petition of mr Josiah Oakes against this precinct and also to consult what methods may be proper in order for an agreement with the s^d mr Oakes, or order for y^e defence of y^e same with other things therein contained

and made choice of John Rich Moderator for y^e meeting. and at s^d meeting it was voted.

That John Rich Isaac Baker and Jonathan Young be a comitte to discourse mr Oakes in order for an agreement, and forthwith make return to this meeting of their proceedings therein, and report being made to s^d meeting that there was no prospect of an agreement at present.

whereon it was voted at s^d meeting that y^e aboves^d Johr. Rich Isaac Baker and Jonathan Young Should be Agents for and in behalf of s^d precinct to make an agreement with y^e s^d mr Josiah Oakes If may be on reasonable terms at their decresion So the s^d Oakes Quit y^e publick Ministry in s^d precinct and no longer Contend with the Inhabitants thereof and then by a vote of s^d precinct y^e meeting was ajourned to monday y^e third of October next at twelve of y^e Clock on s^d day

[p. 9] March y^e 27 1727

The Inhabitants of y^e North precinct of Eastham Being regularly assembled to make choice of Assessors and other precinct officers as y^e Law directs for y^e year ensuing; and also to doe what may be Thought proper relating to a petition of mr Josiah Oakes against this precinct; Laid before y^e Court of general Sessions of y^e Peace at Barnstable in October last and continued untill April next and made choice of Samuel Brown Moderator for y^e meeting and made choice of Samuel Smith Samuel Brown George Williamson Eleazer Hamblin and Jonathan Young a Comittee to Call precinct meetings; for y^e year ensuing and also made choice of John Rich Samuel Smith

and Jonathan Young assessors for y^e year ensuing and made choice of Jonathan Young Treasurer and also at s^d meeting made choice of Jonathan Young precinct Clark and at s^d meeting made Choice of Samuel Brown and Samuel Smith agents in behalf s^d precinct to make answer to y^e petition of mr Josiah Oakes above s^d and they or either of them are Impowred to make answer to s^d petition

June y^e 12 1727

The Inhabitants of y^e North precinct in Eastham Being Leagally notified assembled and mett; and made Choice of Samuel Brown Moderator and made choice of John Doane Esq: John Rich and George Williamson Agents in behalf of y^e Inhabitants of s^d precinct to invite and call Sum orthodox preacher of y^e Gospel to preach y^e word of God to y^e people of this place taking y^e advice of y^e President and fellows of Harvard College In y^e affair . and at s^d meeting made choice of Isaac Baker and Elisha Eldrige jun : to adjust the accounts with y^e treasurer that hath been in s^d precinct that have not yet been accompted with

[p. 10] And also at y^e above s^d meeting it was agreed upon and voted that about two hundred pounds be assessed upon the poles and Eastates of y^e Inhabitants of s^d Precinct; this year for y^e Support of y^e Ministry, and to defray other necessary charges arising or risen in this precinct and half to be gathered and payed in to y^e Treasurer on or before y^e first day of October next; and y^e other half on or before y^e first day of march following

August y^e 10 1727

The inhabitants of y^e North precinct of Eastham being Leagally Notified : Assembled and mett, and made Choice of Samuel Brown Moderator for y^e meeting and at s^d meeting made choice George Williamson and Elisha Eldrige jun : Agents in behalf of s^d precinct to discourse y^e reverend John Sumner in order to his further continuance in y^e work of y^e ministry in this Precinct; and then y^e meeting was ajourned to monday y^e fourteenth day of August next at ten of y^e clock in y^e forenoon

August y^e 14 1727

The Inhabitants of y^e North precinct in Eastham assembled and mett, on y^e ajourment afores^d Samuel Brown Moderator; and in as much as y^e precinct Clarke being absent; Elisha El-

drige was nominated and chosen clarke for y^e day and att s^d Meeting made choice of George Williamson Agent in behalf of s^d precinct to lay a petition before y^e General Relating to y^e difficult circumstances of y^e Ministry In this place; it was also voted that there be a meeting House built, forthwith for y^e precinct, it was also voted it was also voted that y^e precinct treasurer pay out some money to y^e agents for y^e precinct; for their necessary charges recorded per Elisha Eldrige jun Clark

Sept^{br} y^e 18 1727

The Inhabitants of y^e north precinct in Eastham being leagally notified assembled and mett together and made choice of Samuel Brown Moderator [p. 11] for y^e meeting and at s^d meeting made choice of George Williamson and John Rich Agents in Behalf of s^d precinct to Lay a petition before y^e general Court relating to nr Josiah Oakes proceeding in y^e work of y^e ministry in this Precinct and y^e difficult circumstances thereof; and y^e s^d George Williamson and John Rich or either of them To represent y^e precinct in that affair

February y^e 5 1727/8

The Inhabitants of y^e North precinct of Eastham being Leagally Notified; assembled and mett together either to conclude to build a meeting house or to endeavour with y^e Proprietors of y^e meeting house that now is that it may be disposed of so as it be a precinct meeting house and made choice of John Rich Moderator for y^e meeting; and at s^d meeting y^e Proprietors of y^e meeting house made choice of John Doane Esq^r Leu^t Isaac Baker and Israel Young a Committe to Join with Isaac Doane Samuel Smith and Eleazer Hamblin a comitte chosen by y^e non-proprietors to agree upon what methods was proper to be taken refering to s^d house that it might stand for a publick meeting house for y^e precinct for y^e present and it was agreed upon and concluded by y^e Comitte on both parties and at s^d meeting voted by the precinct both proprietors and non proprietors that y^e non proprietors should repair y^e s^d meeting by putting up glass and other materiels that are needfull and to Keep y^e s^d house in repair for y^e space of four years next coming upon there own Cost and Charge Except Some more then ordenary accident should happen thereto and the s^d house to stand for a publick meeting for y^e term of y^e said years

and then at the end of y^e s^d four years y^e non proprietors to take y^e Glass and other matererials that they have thereto added and the remainder of y^e house to return to y^e proprietors

and at y^e s^d meeting; y^e non proprietors nominated and appointed Samuel Smith to Carry on and oversee y^e repairing of y^e s^d meeting house and at s^d meeting made choice of mr John Rich to procure a minister for y^e p^recinct

(To be continued.)

PLYMOUTH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 56.)

[p. 64] The Children of William Dunham and Annah Dunham his wife

1 William born on the fifth of Aprill 1710

2 Martha born on y^e 8th of Desember 1713

The Children of John Wood* and Sarah wood his Wife

1 Sarah born on the 26 July 1709

2 Marey born on y^e 8th of May 1711

3 John born february : 10 : 1704³/₈

4 Elydia born June : 6th : 1715 Deceas^d being the wife of Ja^s

Hovey Esq^r Feb^y 23rd. 1771

5 Soloman born November 2^d 1717

6 Isaac born March 18th 1719

7 Keziah born on y^e 18 of Aprill 1721

8 Hannah born march 21 . 1722/3 . Deceased July 14 . 1723.

9 Experience born . Sep^r . 12 1724.

The children of John Atwood & Experience his wife

Experience Atwood born April 4 . 1731

Elizabeth Atwood born April 23 . 1733

Experience Atwood born March 1 . 1734/5

George Atwood born Sep^r . 19 . 1737.

George Atwood born february 26 . 1738/9

The Children of helkiah Tincom † & Elizabeth Tincom his wife

1 hannah born on the last Day of october 1710

2 Elizabeth born July 5 1713

3 Isaac born Desember 27th 1715

4 Sarah born Agust 5th 1718

5 Zedekiah born July : 11th 1721

John born September 29 1723 . deceased October 13th : 1723

Mary born September 14 . 1724

Martha born December 29 . 1726

* "alias Atwood Junr" written above in a different hand.

† "Junr" written above in a different hand.

Ruth & Lydia born July 9 . 1729 . deceased Lydia 22 October
 1732
 Ebenezer born June . 26 . 1732
 Lydia born March . 10 . 1734/5

[p. 65] The Children of John ffaunce Ju : and lidiah ffaunce his
 Wife

- 1 Juduth born January first 1701^o
- 2 lidiah born June 10th 1714
- 3 John born Aprill 13th 1716
- 4 Hannah born May 30th 1718
- 5 Mary born Aprill 25th 1720
- 6 Mehitabell born Aprill : 11th : 172(*)
- 7 Rebeccah Faunce born September 15th 1724
 Mary born 1734 . (See 166.) 2^d w Ruth †

The Children of John Morton and Reliance Morton his Wife

- 1 John born November 15th 1706
- 2 Jonothan born ffebruary 10 170^o Deceased Desember 29 1708
- 3 Josiah born ffebruary 28 170^o
- 4 A Daughter born Desember 11 1711 Deceased y^e same Day
- 5 James born on y^e 13th Day of May 1714
- 6 David born March 19th 1716

The Children of Joshua Bramhall and Sarah bramhal his Wife

- : 1 : Cornelios born Agust 26 : 1708
- : 2 : Silvanios born y^e last Day of aprill 1712
- : 3 : Joseph born Desember 20th 1717
- 4 Martha born March 21st 1718

The Children of Elisha Doty and Hanna † Doty his Wife

- 1 Elisha born october 20th 1709
- 2 Samuel born June 16th 1712
- 3 hanna born october 10th 1714 Deceased
- 4 Edward born October 7th 1716
- 5 Hannah born September 5 . 1718
- 6 Paul born November 28 1721
- 7 Lois born August 26 . . 1724
- 8 Stephen born June 24 . 1726
- 9 James born August 27 . 1728

(To be continued.)

* "1721" or "1722," probably the latter.

† This line is in a modern hand.

‡ "Harlow" written above in a modern hand.

THE DIARY OF JABEZ FITCH, JR.

(Continued from Vol. II, p. 239.)

Fort = Edward July 29th 1757 In y^e Morning y^e Post Came in I Rec^d a Letter From Sister Rudd & another From Mr Wight &c — this Day I also Wrote to My Father — Gen^l Webb Came Back from y^e Lake

y^e 30th I Remained Much Not well in y^e Morning I Took a Portion of Rheubarb — It worked Vary well

Sunday y^e 31st Nothing Strang Hapened . at Night I Se Serj^t Burrows of y^e Indipendant & Serj^t Giles over at y^e Garden and Had Considerable Discorce with them &c.

August y^e 1st Serj^t Burrows of Capt : Crookshanks Company Toock Up John Stimson of Capt : Slapps who Deserted their Servis & Changd His Name from Spooner — He Radily Confest & Returnd to y^e old Servis &c This afternoon John Bennet our old Friend Came Up Here on a Command & Paid Us a Visit He Staid with Us at Night &c —

y^e 2nd y^e Morning I Spent with Bennet till 8 oClok — then He went of for Saratoge.

A Detach Ment of y^e Royal AmERICANS Capt : Crookshanks Independant Company & the Massachusetts Reg^t Marchd off for Ft W^m Henry they were Under y^e Command of Lieu^t Col: Young of y^e 60th Reg^t they Carryd Several Pieces of y^e Ordnance with them &c — Soon After this Detachment Went off we were orderd to To Move our Tents about which we Spent Most of y^e Day — Near Night we Pitchd our Tents where y^e Massachusetts Reg^t Movd from — This Day Lieu^t Porter Died At Night y^e Serj^t Maj^r Desired me to Get My arms and Appear on y^e Perad for He Didnt Know But He Should Want a Serj^t So I Went Expecting Twas For y^e New Piq^t But when I Came there they Put Me on y^e Mounting Piq^t So I was obligd to Go on Directly & y^e Serj^t Maj^r Sent Me No Relief according to His Promus Neither — Capt : Porter of y^e Granadear Company in y^e 60th Reg^t is officer of this Piq^t He Had a Number of their officers with Him till 11 oClok & By that time they were Most of them fit for Sleep — Then we Hered 2 Guns Fired at y^e Brickills Lt Humphires & I went With a Party of 12 Men to Know what y^e Matter was we Came there y^e Officer Told Us a Smooth Story about a Sentry Discovering y^e Enemy

&c. But we Returnd then y^e Capt : Orderd y^e Lt & I To Double y^e Sentries & then He Orderd Us to Go y^e Rounds Constantly till after y^e Morning Gun Fired Never Allowing Us to Go to y^e Tents

y^e 3rd I Hered y^e Morning Gun Fire at y^e Lake Before ours — a little after Sun Rise we Here y^e Cannon Fire Briskly at y^e Lake and also y^e Small arms we Immediately Contluded that they were Attacted — This Firing Lasted Most of y^e Day — about 9 oClok there Came Down a Post what News He Brought was Not Soon Known By Us only that y^e Fort was Attacted y^e Post was Sent Direct Down to Albony Several Partys were Sent Up to y^e Lake to Make Discovery of their Circumstances there at Night one Colyar of Capt : Gallups Company Brought in a French man that He Toock a Little Below Ft W^m Henry as He was Dresing an ox — at Night y^e Fireing Seased at y^e Lake our Piq^t was Dismissed and a New one Mounted with in y^e Lines

y^e 4th In y^e Morning I Felt Better than I Had for Som time I Tock a Sirvay of y^e Camp & what Preparation we were In & Makeing to Receive y^e Enimy &c: The Cannon Soon Begun to Play at y^e Lake — I Hear By y^e Prisoner that Colyar Brought in that the French Have Got a Vary Strong army against Fort W^m Henry He Said there was 6000 Ragulars & 5000 Canadians & if it was Neaded they Had 6000 French Helanders to Join them they Had also Near 30 Pieses of artillery — But this account was Not all Intirely Credited — In y^e Afternoon there was But Little Firing at y^e Lake — y^e Several Detachments : that we Sent Down to Relieve y^e Forts Below Us Came Up to Join Us — Joseph Johnsons Scout Came in Several Men Got in that Had Ben to Make Discovery at y^e Lake &c. Toard Night I went over to y^e Island to Se our Sick Found Corp^l Andrus Exceeding Poor almost without any Sence —

This Night we was alarmd By a Sentry of y^e Piq^t who Fired at an Indian as He Said — we were all Turnd out But after Some Time Returnd in again —

y^e 5th Before Sunrise We Heard y^e Canon Play Vary Brisk at y^e Lake Soon after y^e Small arms Began to Fire this Firing Lasted all Day without Much Ceasing it was Contluded that this Day there was y^e Most Ammunition Expended that Ever was in a Day at that Plais Before — Several Posts Came in from y^e Lake this Day what News they Brought was Not Known to Us But we Understand that this Morning y^e Enimy Had Not Got their artillery to Bair Upon them — also that our

Men Had Burst their Largest Morter & one 18 Pounder — But they Had Lost But few Men and Kept in Good Spirits &c —

(To be continued.)

HALIFAX, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 22.)

- [p. 216] August : 25 : 1777 Abraham Whiton Jun^r and Abijah Wood both of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- oct^r 27 : 1777 Nehemiah Besse and Pricilla Perry Both of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- Nov^r 24 : 1777 Adam Tomson and Molly Tomson Both of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 26 : 1778 John Miller of Halifax and Sarah Leonard of Bridgwater have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March : 9 : 1778 Nehemiah Sturtevant of Plimpton and Huldah Fuller of Halifax have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- July 13 : 1778 Samuel Parris of Halifax and Sarah Pratt of Middlebrough Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- August 3 : 1778 George Osburn of Pembrook and Deborah Taylor of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- August : 10 : 1778 Lemuel Barnes of Halifax and Abigail Heafords of Plimpton have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- oct^r 12 : 1778 Ichabod Tomson and Lydia Hall Both of Halifax have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- November : 23 : 1778 Lemuel Sturtevant Jun^r of Halifax and Priscilla Tomson of Middlebrough have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 4 : 1779 Job Hall of Raynham and Abigail Leach of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 29 : 1779 Isaiah Tinkham of Halifax and Susanna Ellis of Middlebrough have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April 19 : 1779 William Wood of Middlebrough and Susanna Fuller of Halifax have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April : 19 : 1779 Nathan Pirkins and Hannah Sturtevant Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April . 19 . 1779 Ezekiel Palmer and Polly Wallis Both of Halifax have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April : 26 : 1779 Elias Haskil of Greenwich and Mercy Tilson Jun of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- June 14 : 1779 Silvanus Bradford of Kingston and Jane Briggs of Halifax have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- August 2 : 1779 Isaac Hobart of Pembrook and Lydia Hatch of Halifax have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax

- Sep^r 6 : 1779 Matthew Parris and Mercy Tomson Both of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- [p. 217] Nov^r 8 : 1779 Chipman Fuller of Hallifax and Thankfull Wright of Plimpton have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Nov^r 29 : 1779 James Crooker of Pembrook and Joanna Cushman of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax.
- Dec^r : 6 : 1779 John Phinney of Bridgewater and Sarah Tomson of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Dec^r 13 : 1779 Zebadiah Tomson of Hallifax and Clare Sturtevant of Plimpton have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- December 27 : 1779 Richard Bozworth and Hannah Chipman Both of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- January : 3 : 1780 John Briggs Jun^r of Hallifax and Hannah Bearce of Pembrook have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- March . 20 : 1780 Noah Waterman and Esther Ellis Both of Hallifax have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- April 3 : 1780 Nathan Tinkham Jun^r and Abigail Perry Both of Hallifax have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- April 24 : 1780 Leonard Hill of Pembrook and Lois Briggs of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- May 15 : 1780 Elisha Faxon and Sarah Cushing Both of Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- June 26 : 1780 Nehemiah Cortis of Hallifax and Hannah Standish of Plimpton Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- July 31 : 1780 Isaac Waterman of Hallifax and Lucy Samson of Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Sept^r 18 : 1780 Jonathan Records of Pembrook and Remember Briggs of Hallifax have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Dec^r : 8 : 1780 David Rogers of Gréenwich and Rebecca Jackson of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Dec^r 11 : 1780 Samuel Brown of Abington and Tabitha Porter of Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Dec^r . 25 : 1780 Holmes Seares and Mercy Cushing Both of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- February 5 : 1781 Elisha Mitchel of Bridgewater and Hannah Tomson of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- March : 12 : 1781 Eliab Knap of Rainham and Lois Tomson of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- april : 16 : 1781 Barnabas Snell of Bridgewater and Hannah Holmes of Hallifax have been Lawf Published in Halli
- april : 16th : 1781 Ezra Tomson and Sarah Whitten both of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- april : 30th 1781 Francis Cook and Ruth Bearce both of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- [p. 218] September 24th : 1781 Ebenezer Tomson the 3^d and of Hallifax and Deborah Prior of Duxborough have been Lawfully Published In Hallifax

- 1782 Jan'y 6 : Caleb Leach of Hallifax and abigail Tinkham of Plymton have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- 1782 Jan'y : 28th : Loring Tomson and mary whiten Jun both of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallif
- 1782 Jan'y : 28 : Moses Tomson of Hallifax and abigail Samson of Plymton have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- 1782 Febr : 11th : Zebadiah Tomson and Phebe Cortis both of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifa
- 1782 Febr : 18 : Jonathan Pratt of middleboro and martha Palmer of Hallifax have been Lawf^{ll} Published in Hallif
- 1782 march : 11th : Thomas Palmer of Hallifax and Betty Stetson of Hannover have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- 1782 march : 18 . Ichabod Hatch of Hallifax and abigail Wright of Plymton have been Lawfully Publish in Hallifax
- August : 19 : 1782 Daniel Soule of Hallifax and Sarah Cushman of Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- August : 19 : 1782 George William Munro and Sarah Munro both of Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Sept^r : 9 : 1782 Timothy Briggs of Norton and Hannah Waterman of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Dec^r 12 : 1782 Jonah Benson of Bridgewater and Martha Tomson of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Dec^r 16 : 1782 Ephraim Tilson and Fear Waterman Jun^r Both of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- February 17 : 1783 Mark Andrews of Berkley and Ruth Parris of Hallifax have been Lawfull Published in Hallifax
- March 17 : 1783 Solomon Inglee of Hallifax and Bethsheba Orr of Bridgewater have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- [p. 219] January 5 : 1784 Seth Sturtevant and Abigail Cushing both of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- January 5 : 1784 Thomas Tomson Jun^r of Hallifax and Ruhamah Barrows of Plimpton have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- January 12 : 1784 David Hatch and Lucy Samson Both of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- March 1 : 1784 Spencer Forrest of Hallifax and Abigail Wade of Bridgewater have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- March 22 : 1784 Jacob Loring of Plimpton and Lydia Tilson of Hallifax have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- August 30 : 1784 Sherebiah Corthell of Hingham and Lydia Whiton of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Sept^r 13 : 1784 Zenos Tinkham of Hallifax and Rachel Warren of Middleborough Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Oct^r 25 : 1784 Edmund Mordock of Plimpton and Betty Ripley of Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Nov^r 8 : 1784 Asa Soule and Ruth Howland Stetson Both of Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Nov^r 15 : 1784 John Fuller of Medfield and Martha Fuller of Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax

- Dec^r 13 : 1784 Benjamin Bozworth and Hannah Samson Both of
Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- February 7 : 1785 Benjamin Briggs of Hallifax and Sarah Bent of
Middleborough have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- March 14 : 1785 Nathaniel Tomson of Hallifax and Sarah Thair of
Bridgewater have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- May : 2 : 1785 Timothy Wood of Hallifax and Salvina Soule of
Plimpton have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- June 13 : 1785 Judah Wood and Tabitha Holmes both of Hallifax
Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- August 8 : 1785 Levi Tomson and Betty Snell Both of Hallifax
Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- oct^r 31 : 1785 Elijah Howard of Bridgewater and Mary Tomson 3^d of
Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Nov^r 14 : 1785 Noah Thomas of Hallifax and Sally Howland of
Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Nov^r 14 : 1785 Waterman Bozworth and Mercy Tilson 3^d Both of
Hallifax Have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- December 12 : 1785 Samuel Fuller of Hallifax and Sarah Cushman
of Plimpton have been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Dec^r 26 : 1785 Samuel Briggs of Hallifax and Mercy Dammond of
Pembrook Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- [p. 220] April 3 : 1786 David Sturtevant and Mercy Parris Jun^r
Both of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- April 17 : 1786 James Soule 3^d of Middleborough and Eunice Tom-
son of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- May 22 : 1786 Thaddeus Tomson and Ruth Tilson Both of Hallifax
Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Sept^r 11 : 1786 Joshua Palmer Jun^r and Lois Sturtevant Jun^r Both of
Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- January 15 : 1787 John Heafords of Pembrook and Betty Hall of
Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- February : 19 : 1787 Asa Forrest of Hallifax and Susanna Mitchel
of Bridgewater Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- April 16 : 1787 Samuel Bratford of Plimpton and Sarah Fuller of
Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- April 23 : 1787 Doct^r Penuil Hutchins of Killingly in Connecticut
and Molly Tomson. Jun^r of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Pub-
lished in Hallifax
- June 25 : 1787 David Bozworth and Abigail Inglee Both of Hallifax
Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Oct^r 8 : 1787 Benjamin Faxon of Bridgewater and Ruth Bryant of
Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- Oct^r 15 : 1787 Jacob Churchell of Plimpton and Eunice Sturtevant
of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Hallifax
- November 19 : 1787 Doct^r John Putnam of Middleborough and
Elezebeth Bozworth of Hallifax Have Been Lawfully Published
in Hallifax

- December 3 : 1787 Benjamin Munro of Halifax and Mary Washburn of Bridgewater Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- December 3 : 1787 Joseph Tilson of Halifax and Molly Loring of Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 28 : 1788 Sala Bozworth of Halifax and Rebecca Pirkins of Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 17 : 1788 : Allen Hatch of Bridgewater and Sarah Standish of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April 3 : 1788 Ephraim Tinkham and Huldah Tomson Jun^r Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- So far is Given in to the Clerk of the Court
- April 28 : 1788 Moses Inglee Jun^r and Hannah Allen Jun^r Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- June 16 : 1788 Ebenezer Hathaway and Chloe Hooper Both of Halifax Have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- Sept^r 11 : 1788 Samuel Savery of Wareham and Lois Sturtevant of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- December 8 : 1788 Ellis Holmes and Betty Leach Both of Halifax Have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 12 : 1789 Seth Allen of Halifax and Abigail Ford of Pembroke Have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- [p. 221] March 23 : 1789 Levi Loring of Plimpton and Rachel Standish of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April 13 : 1789 Dan Parris and Pernal Ripley Jun^r Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- December 7 : 1789 Abel Tomson and Elisabeth Leach Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 25 : 1790 Joseph Tinkham of Halifax and Lucy Lucas of Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 25 : 1790 Barze Sturtevant of Halifax and Betty Crooker of Pembroke Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- February 15 : 1790 Simeon Sturtevant Jun^r of Halifax and Margeret Johnson of Kingston Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April 12 : 1790 Ichabod Waterman Jun^r of Kingston and Parthana Cartee of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- May 3 : 1790 Eliphalet Waterman of Halifax and Silvina Winsor of Duxbury Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- May 17 : 1790 Ezekiel Tomson and Mary Bosworth Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- June 14 : 1790 William Tilson of Halifax and Anne Haskel of Rochester Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- August 23 : 1790 Holmes Seares of Halifax and Mercy Bradford of Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- October : 11 : 1790 John Tilson of Halifax and Desire Shaw of Plymouth Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- October 18 : 1790 Doct^r Micah Allen of Halifax and Margeret Ford 2^d of Pembroke Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax

- Nov^r 8 : 1790 Doct^r Nathaniel Morton and Joanna Tomson Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- Nov^r 29 : 1790 Moses Inglee Jun^r of Halifax and Jean Loring of Plimpton Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 10 : 1791 Jonathan Porter and Betty Woods Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 17 : 1791 William Soule of Halifax and Rachel Dillingham of Bridgewater Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 7 : 1791 David Bosworth of Halifax and Patience Freeman of Middleborough have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 7 : 1791 Eliab Tomson and Rachel Tomson Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- August : 15 : 1791 Lemuel Clark of Wareham and Else Waterman Jun^r of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- Sept^r 26 : 1791 Newcomb Bourn Jun^r of Middlebrough and Dulsina Woods of Halifax have been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- April 11 : 1792 Barnabas Tomson Jun^r and Sarah Fuller Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- [p. 222] April 29 : 1792 Consider Pratt and Molly Thayer Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- May 21 : 1792 : George William Monro of Pembroke and Mary Bearce of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- June 11 : 1792 Aseph Bosworth and Elizabeth Tomson Jun^r Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- December 24 : 1792 Joseph Tomson and Priscilla Ripley Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 4 : 1793 Winslow Sturtevant and Susanna Faxon Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 25 : 1793 : William Mitchel of Bridgewater and Betty Dunbar of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- June 10 : 1793 Asa Hall of Raynham and Lucy Leach of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- December 9 : 1793 Lewis Chamberlain of Bridgewater and Rebecca Tomson Jun^r of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- January 6 : 1794 William Hooper of Bridgewater and Mary Tilson of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 17 : 1794 David Briggs Jun^r and Nabbe Sturtevant Both of Halifax Have Been Lawfully Published in Halifax
- March 31th 1794 Isaac Chamberlin of Bridgewater and Charity Tomson of Halifax have been lawfully published in Halifax
- April 21st 1794 Moses Waterman and Sarah Inglee both of Halifax have been lawfully published in Halifax
- August 11th 1794 Ebenezer Wood of Halifax and Centhea Soule of Plymton have been lawfully published in Halifax
- Dec^r 22nd 1794 Jacob Tomson Jun^r of Halifax and Lucina Kieth of Bridgewater have been lawfully published in Halifax

- Febr^y 16th 1795 Elkanah Thomas of Middleborough and Margeret Miller Tomson of Halifax have been Lawfully published in Halifax
- April 27th 1795 John Record of Pembrook and Sarah Kieth of Halifax have been lawfully published in Halifax
- [p. 223] May 4th 1795 Daved Tomson of Halifax and Betsey Leach of Middleborough have been lawfully published in Halifax
- July 20th 1795 William Shaw 3rd of Middleborough and Sarah Loring of Halifax have been lawfully published in Halifax
- Nov^r 2nd 1795 Jacob Tomson Jun^r of Middleborough and Mercy Waterman of Halifax have been lawfully published in Halifax
- Jan^y 25 1796 Allen Latham of Bridgwater and Jennet Dunbar Jun^r of Halifax have been lawfully published in Halifax
- July 25th 1796 John Bosworth Jun^r and Susanna Pratt both of Halifax have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Sept^r 26th 1796 Charles Holmes of Kingston and Rebekah Briggs Jun^r of Halifax have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Sept^r 26th 1796 Daniel Weston of Middleborough and Rebecca Waterman of Halifax have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Nov^r 31st 1796 Oliver Porter and Phebe Barrow both of Halifax have been published in Halifax according to the Directions of law
- January 30 . 1797 Tomson Leach of Halifax and Priscilla Clark have been published in Halifax According to the directions of law
- March 13th 1797 Nehemiah Tomson and Experience Curtis both of Halifax have been Published in Halifax as the law directs
- June 5th 1797 Zaccheus Tomson and Jennet Wood both of Halifax have been Published in Halifax as the law directs
- July 3rd 1797 Benjamin Bryant Jun^r of Plympton and Bethiah Gray of Halifax have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- July 31st 1797 Timothy Tomson of Halifax and Susanna Cushing of Plympton have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Sept^r 25th 1797 Francis Woods of Halifax and Jane Churchell of Plympton have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Nov^r 27th 1797 Bethuel White and Zerviah Standish both of Halifax have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Nov^r 27th 1797 Seth Briggs of Halifax & Molly Reed of Pembroke have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Dec^r 14th 1797 Daniel Cummings of Gray & County of Cumberland and Hannah Briggs Jun^r have been published in Halifax as the law directs
- Dec^r 25th 1797 Aaron Soule of Halifax and Ruth Samson of Plympton have been published in the town of Halifax as the law Directs

(To be continued.)

ZACHARIAH³ SOULE'S INVENTORY.*Transcribed from the Original Records,*

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

ZACHARIAH² SOULE (*George*¹) was born before the Division of Cattle on 22 May /1 June, 1627,* and it is probable that he died not long before 11/21 December, 1663, the date on which his inventory was taken by John Alden and Constant Southworth. His widow, Margaret, was appointed administratrix, since her bond, dated 2 March, 1663/4, is preserved in the "Scrap Book" (p. 20) at the Plymouth Registry of Deeds. William Ford, Sr., of Marshfield was her surety and John Sutton and John Morton were the witnesses.

I have been unable to find any other record connected with the settlement of this estate and nothing to indicate that Zachariah left any children.

The inventory will be found in the Plymouth Colony Wills and Inventories, Volume II, Part II, page 18.

An Inventory of the goods and Chattles of Zacarya Soule taken this 11th of December 1663 and exhibited to the court held att Plymouth the third of March 1663 on the oath of Margaret Soule widdow;

	<i>l</i>	<i>s</i>	<i>d</i>
Imp ^r : 3 Cowes 1 heiffer 1 Calfe att	14	00	00
Item 1 mare att	08	00	00
Item 2 pigges att	05	00	00
Item swines flesh	03	00	00
Item 1 fowling peece and sword att	01	08	00
Item a saddle and bridle att	01	02	06
Item in Chistes	00	10	00
Item 1 Cloth coate att	01	14	00
Item 2 shirts 3 bands and 1 handkerchiffe	01	05	00
Item in pewter Dishes & bason & latten pannes	01	10	00
Item in earthen ware	00	04	00
Item 1 Iron pott potthookes 2 smale Iron kettles att	00	18	00
Item 1 old bedpan kettle & skillett	00	07	00
Item 1 frying pan & six spoones att	00	06	00
Item 1 hatt att	00	03	00
Item in severall goods new att	03	00	00

* Mayflower Descendant, I: 152.

Item in sifting trough trays & Dishes & trenches	00 10 00
Item in wheele and cards woole & yearne & hemp	00 06 00
Item in butter and lard	00 08 00
Item in sope	00 05 00
Item 1 paire of shott moulds & sheers & handplaine & Drawing knife	00 07 00
Item tonggs and fier pan & axe & hoes	00 04 00
Item 1 pound of powder bad* & three hornes	00 02 06
Item 2 bagges att	00 03 00
Item 2 old mackerell lines & three ledds att	00 03 00
Item 2 barrells & 2 pound and an halfe of feathers	00 05 00
Item 3 bushells & 3 peckes of salt att	00 15 00
Item sythes & pitchforkes	00 03 00
Item house and land att powder point	26 00 00
Item a purchase share of land & meddow lying about Namassakett	25 00 00
Item 2 acres of meddow lying about the gurnett	02 00 00
Item 40 acres of upland lying in the woods	06 00 00
Item prte of a nett & ledd	00 03 00
Item about 4 load & an halfe of hay	
Item Debtes owing to the estate	01 08 09
Debts owing from the estate about 17 ^s 00	

John Aldin
Constant Southworth

**SAMUEL HATCH'S WIFE MARY, THE DAUGHTER
OF EDWARD DOTY.**

Communicated by THEODORE S. LAZELL.

FROM the nuncupative will of Faith Phillips, former wife of Edward¹ Doty, and the settlement of her estate, as previously printed,† it appears that she left three daughters, Desire Sherman, Elizabeth Rouse and Mary Doty, and that John Rouse, Jr., of Marshfield, was appointed administrator "in the behalfe of him selfe his wife and Sisters." William Sherman married Desire Doty 25 December /4 January, 1667/8, and John Rouse married Elizabeth Doty 13/23 January, 1674/5,‡ but nowhere, as yet, has any record of a marriage of Mary² Doty been found, and no intimation that she survived has heretofore been given in genealogical publications, beyond the fact that she was alive and unmarried on 10/20 July, 1677, the date

* Sic. † Mayflower Descendant, III : 89-91. ‡ Ibid., II : 180, 182.

of the Court order regarding the settlement of her mother's estate.

It is the purpose of this article to present evidence recently found, which proves conclusively that she married Samuel Hatch of Scituate. The following receipts are literally copied from Plymouth Colony Deeds, IV : 345 : —

I Samuell Hatch of Scittuate Doe heerby Acknowldge that I have received all that which was Due to mee by vertue of my wife from John Rouse of Marshfeild, and Doe heerby Acknowldge my selfe fully satisfied Contented and payed and therof Doe and of every p^rte and p^rsell therof Doe exownarate Acquitt and Discharge the aforesaid Rouse of and from all Debts Dues Claimes or Demaunds from the beging of the world unto this Day It being the 28th Day of ffebruary 1679.

Witnes Josiah Holmes
Benjamin Sampson

Samuell Hatch

Know all men whom it May Concerne that I Desire Sherman of the Towne of Marshfeild Doe wholly Discharge John Rouse of the same Towne, of the Legacyes which was Due to mee by vertue of my Mothers Will and by order of the Court; I Doe heerby Give the said John Rouse a Whole Discharge from the beging of the world to this Day; In witnes heerunto I have sett My hand this third of June 1680:

Desire Sherman her mark

The phraseology of Samuel Hatch's receipt, taken by itself, is too indefinite to warrant the conclusion I have drawn. But it must be considered that both receipts were recorded on the same page and at the same time; also, that the probate records show that the only estate of which John Rouse was then administrator was that of Faith Phillips.

Corroborative evidence is found in a deed dated 7/18 June, 1700, and recorded 15/26 May, 1730, in Plymouth County Deeds, XXV : 120, whereby Joseph Doty of Rochester conveyed to John White of the same place, the forty acre sea-lot numbered 10, "by Me Purchased of Samuel Hatch my Brother being made over to him by his Father Hatch & did belong to Mr Thomas Hinckley in the first Purchase of s^d Rochester Lands."

In "The Doty-Doten Family," published in 1897 (page 627), the author, by an unfortunate use of pronouns in a reference to this deed, draws the erroneous conclusion that Joseph Doty's wife was a sister of Samuel Hatch.

A brief genealogy of the Hatch family of Scituate, published in 1874, by the late Perley Derby of Salem, gives the births of nine children of Samuel³ Hatch (*Walter*², *William*¹) and an abstract of his will, but states that the name of his wife is un-

The names of the first settlers

first line	John	1
	William Brewster	1
	William Brewster	1
	Richard	1
	James	2
	George	1
	John	1
	John	1
	Samuel	1
	John	2

This contains 29 acres

7 feet by on the south side of the brook to the first meadow

Edward	1
Edward	1
Samuel	3

This contains 16 acres besides the meadows

100 ft by on the north side of the brook to the second meadow

100 ft by on the north side of the brook to the second meadow

EARLIEST KNOWN RECORD CONTAINING THE NAME "MAYFLOWER."

known. That her given name was Mary is shown by the record of her baptism in the Second Church at Scituate in the year 1679.

It has been shown that Faith Phillips had a daughter Mary² Doty (*Edvard¹*); that Samuel Hatch of Scituate had a wife Mary in 1679; and that, in 1680, he receipted for his wife's share of Faith Phillips' estate. It is therefore evident that Samuel Hatch married Mary² Doty between 10/20 July, 1677, and 28 February /10 March, 1679/80.

The discovery of the clue which led to the proof of this marriage, opening up, as it does, many new lines of "Mayflower" descent, is due to the work already accomplished through the Colonial Research Fund of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants.

THE NAME "MAYFLOWER."

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

It seems almost a waste of valuable time and space to again publish the proof that the vessel in which the Pilgrims set sail from Plymouth, England, on Wednesday, September 16, 1620 (New Style), was called the "Mayflower," but careless writers, because they do not find the name in any of the published writings of Bradford or Winslow, have jumped to the conclusion that such proof does not exist. Although the evidence was printed at least as early as 1861, and has been printed a number of times since, very few persons have had the privilege of seeing the original record, which is shown in the accompanying illustration, reproduced from a photograph. This is, we believe, the first time that a facsimile of this record has been published.

The illustration shows the fourth page of the first volume of the Plymouth Colony Records of Deeds. At the top of the page may be seen, in the well-known handwriting of Governor Bradford, the following entry:

The sales of their grounds which came first over in the May-floure according as thier lotes were cast . 1623.

This entry by Governor Bradford himself, in the oldest volume of the Plymouth Colony Records and written in 1623 or

soon after that date, must be accepted as conclusive evidence that the Pilgrim ship was called the "Mayflower."

The earliest known mention of the name in print occurs in Nathaniel Morton's "New England's Memorial," published in 1669, and it is interesting to note that, as Secretary of Plymouth Colony from 1647 to his death in 1685, he had the custody of the records and made many entries in this first volume of deeds. He must, therefore, have been familiar with Bradford's record of the Division of Land in 1623, in which he doubtless took a lively interest as a boy of about ten years. Since Nathaniel Morton came to Plymouth with his father in the "Anne" but a few months before this division was made he must have been personally acquainted with nearly one-half of the Mayflower passengers, and two of them, John Howland and Mary (Allerton) Cushman, were still living at Plymouth when his book was written, so that even if the records had not been in his care he certainly was in a position to know the name of the first ship, and his statement of the name should have been accepted in the entire absence of any contradictory evidence.

SCITUATE, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. III, p. 119.)

- [p. 14] Thomas willmor of duxborow and hannah his wife ware married June y^e 10th 1705
 Hudson bishop of duxborrow and abigall his wife ware married desember y^e 13th 1705
 Nathaniell bruster of duxborrow and mary his wife was married desember 24th 1705
 Samuell fisher of duxborrow and deborah his wife ware married desember 24th 1705
 Edward Shofe and Liddiah wetherell both of Scituate was married July y^e 6 : 1704
 Solloman Lincoln and Hannah Stetson both of Scituate was married Aprell y^e 25th : 1705
 Thomas Clark Juner and Alis Rogers both of Scituate was married September y^e 17th 1705 :
 benjamin Stodder and mary Silvester both of Scituate was married January y^e 31th 1705
 nathaniell goodspeed of Rochester and Sarah king of Scituate was married desember y^e 21 : 1705 :
 John magfarland of duxborrow and martha berstow of Scituate was married desember y^e 25 : 1705

Bezaliel Palmer and Elisabeth perry both of Scituate was married february y^e 5th: 170³
 9 may 1706 william Torry and margritt buck ware Joyned together in marriag pr me Joseph Otis Justice of Peace
 7 June 1706 Jonothan merritt and Sarah Cudworth ware Joyned together in marriage pr me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 [worn] day of July 1706 william barrill and Elisabeth bayly ware Joyned together in marriage pr me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 13 day of february 170⁷ prence Houland of duxborow and deborah barker ware Joyned together in marriage before me Joseph Otis Justice of peas
 [worn] seph Woodworth & Sarah Jones both of Scituate were Merried together on y^e Seventh Day of October A.D. 1743. P^r me Tho^s Clap Just : Peace

[p. 15] These are to sertifie all people that theire being an intentione of marriage betwen Thomas Coleman of Scituate in y^e provence of y^e masachusetts and mary mew of newport in y^e Coleny of Roadisland and providence plantations did lay theire intentions before y^e men and womens meeting in sd Island whoe desired them to waite, for a time till all things ware Cleere theire being men and women appointed to inquire of boath their Clearness in y^e meeting they belonged to whether he y^e sd Thomas Coleman was free from all other women and mary mew free and Cleare from all other men they Coming y^e seacond time before y^e men and womens meeting in porchmouth one Roadisland y^e 2 day of y^e 12 month 170³ all Things being Clear and nothing appering to hinder and they being published acording to law a meeting being appointed one purpose at y^e house of mary mew y^e 12th of y^e 12 month 170³ whare they tooke Each other as man and wife there promising as in y^e presence of god to live faithfully together man and wife untill death seperated them in testemony of y^e same they have hereunto set their names in y^e presence of us whoe are wittneses hereunto of their solam promisees

Walter Clark Esq^r Gov^r

Thomas Coleman

william Allen

Mary Coleman

Edward Thirston Sen^r

ffreeborn Clarke

Benj^a Newbery

Mary Cranston

Jo : Brper *

Susanah Smith

Thomas Cornwell

Mary Bryer

Stephen Mompherd

Sarah Arnold

Joseph palmer

Mary Mumford

Samewell Stapelton

Sarah Mew

Richard Mew

Mary Mew

walter newberry

Mary Barl

John Beere

Mary ffdly

Ralph Chapman Sun^r

Elisabeth Cornell

Benjamin Chamberlin

Margerit Smith

deliverance Chapman

* Probably an error for Bryer. See next column.

These Are to Certifie all people that Thomas Coleman of Scituate and mary Mew of Newport on Road Island were Lawfully Married before me in Newport on the twelveth day of the twelveth month Called february in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred $\frac{3}{4}$ as Attest

Walter Clarke P Govr

- [p. 16] 6 September 1705 Edward Jenking and marth damon both of Scituate ware married
 4 January 1705 Joseph wade and Ruth garritt both of Scituate ware married
 8 day of January 1705 Thomas buck and Hannah Tayler both of Scituate ware married
 27 february 1705 John Hall and Abigall white both of Scituate ware married
 5 September . 1706 nathaniell willmarth of Rehobath and mary perry of Scituate ware marrie by me John Cushing jun^r Justice of peace
 22 January 1706 m^r John Barker and m^r Hannah Cushing both of Scituate ware married by me John Cushing jun^r Justice of peace
 The 22^d day of may 1707 william Curtis the son of John Curtis & Rachell Stoder both of Scituate were married by Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 March y^e 27th 1707 Isaac Harris of Bridgwater & Jane Cooke of Plymouth were Joyned together in marriag by me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 28 day of August 1707 Thomas Bryant, & mary Ewell were Joyned together in Marriage P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace :
 27 November 1707 Thomas Pots & Martha Dudson were Joyned together in Marriage P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 6 day of January 1707 Experience holmes & patience Nicholls were Joyned together in Marriage P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 17 day of march 1707 Samuell Barstow & Lydia Randall were Joyned together in marriage P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 October 1707 : Thomas Chittenden & Elizabeth woodworth were Joyned together in Marriage, P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 September the 20th 1708 Matthew gannett & mary Bacon both of Scituate were Joyned in marriage P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 May the . 3th. 1709 : Thomas Lambert and Joanna Torrey were Joyned together in marriage : P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace :
 May the 13th 1709 Joseph Randall Junior & Elizabeth Turner were Joyned together in marriage . P me Joseph Otis Justice of peace
 [p. 17] march 26 : 1701 Jonathan Jackson and Lydia pickells both of Scittua[te] ware married
 may 8th 1701 Ichabod King and hannah wetherell ware married
 July y^e 9th 1701 Nathaniell winslow of freetown and Elisabath Holbrook of Scituate ware married

- 23 July 1701 Benjamin Stockbridge and marcy Tilden both of Scituate were married
- 30 July 1701 James Torry and Unice dean both of Scituate were married
- October y^e 3 : 1701 Israell Silvester and Ruth prince both of Scituate were married
- desember y^e 2 : 1701 Edward prouty & Elizabeth How both of this town was married ¶ me Jeremiah Cushing
- 16 desember 1701 Rodulphus Hatch and Elisabeth Tilden both of Scituate were married
- november y^e 26 : 1702 Joseph Kent of Charlstwn and Rebeccah Chettend[en] of Scituate ware married
- October y^e 1 : 1702 Thomas brigg of Tunton and Keturah Hatch of Scittua[te] were married
- Januar y^e 21 : 170³ John Cudworth and margerrtt Hatch both of Scituate were married
- 27 January 170³ Isaace Peirse and Juduth booth both of Scituate were married
- 24 february 1703 Robert Gowels of brigwater and Experiance Hollbrook of Scituate were married
- 17 June 1703 Joseph House and deborah gannitt both of Scituate were married
- 5 Agust 1703 Samuell Stockbridge and Liddia barrell both of Scitua[te] were married
- 16 Agust 1703 Richard Silvester and desire Stetson both of Scituate were married
- 5 October y^e : 1703 Robart Cock of Scituate and Agnis Kent of boston were married
- 7 desember 1703 Thomas Turner and martha Silvester both of Scituate were married
- 8 desember 1703 Ebenezer Kent and Hannah gannitt both of Scituate were married
- January 170³ Joseph briggs and deborah Hollbrook both of Scituate were married
- 5 Aprell 1704 Stephen vinall and mary woodwarth both of Scituate were married
- 11 Aprell 1705 Epherem Pray and grace booth both of Scituate were married
- 24 Aprell 1705 Joseph neells and Abigall Smith both of Scituate were married
- 30 Agust 1705 william Cock and Sarah Curtis both of Scituate were married

(To be continued.)

RICHARD CHURCH'S WILL AND INVENTORY.

Transcribed from the Original Records,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

RICHARD CHURCH was born about 1608* and died at Dedham, Mass., 27 December, 1668 (O. S.), and was buried at Hingham, where he had resided for some years. The Dedham records give the date of his death as 26 December, but the Hingham records [I : 17], Hobart's Diary and Cushing's Manuscript all give it as 27, and as that day was Sunday, Hobart's entry under date of 27 December is conclusive. It reads "Richard Church dyed at Dedham Sab : day erly In the morning."

His wife Elizabeth, the daughter of Richard Warren of the Mayflower, survived him and died at Hingham 9 March, 1669/70. [Town Records, I : 20]

The will is recorded in the Suffolk County Probate Records at Boston, Volume VI, page 21, and the inventory in Volume V, page 116. The original documents are not in the files.

I Richard Church of Hingham in the County of Suffolke in new England through the Goodnes & mercy of God, having my perfect understanding yet by the Providence of God at present visited by sicknes of body, I how soone my change may come I know not, therefore Order this my last will & Testament as followeth — ffirst I Commit my soule unto Jesus Christ my Redeemer, & my body to the dust from whence it Came — And my mind & will is that after the decease of my body & the decent buriall thereof a true Inventory of my Estate in the Portion of the Goods of this World that the Lord hath lent mee may bee made & all my just debts due out of the same bee paid — And then my mind & will is that my beloved wife Elizabeth Church shall Enjoy the Remainder during her naturall life — And when it shall please God that shee shall leave this naturall life — my mind & will is that what Estate I shall leave to her, that shall not bee necessarily Expended for her maintenance, shall then bee Equally divided amongst my children only my sonn Joseph to have a dubble Portion that is twice soe much as any on of the rest of my children, by reason of the

* Mayflower Descendant, IV : 152.

lamnes of his hand, whereby hee is disinabled above the rest of my children, for the getting of a livlihood & that this my last will may bee well & truly performed, as is above Expressed. I doe nominate appoint & Ordaine my sonn Joseph to bee my sole Executo^r to doe in all things required of an Executo^r, according to the Lawes of this Jurisdiction, In Wittnes whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seale, this twenty fffifth day of December : 1668 :

In the presence of us

Josuah ffisher

John ffarebanck sen^r

John ffarebanck jun^r

Richard R : C Church

his
mark — & a seale

26. January : 1668.

J[os]uah ffisher & John ffarebanck senio^r deposed in Court that having subscribed their names as wittnesses to this instrument, were present & did both heare & see Richard Church signe seale & publish the same to bee his last will & Testament that when hee soe did hee was of a sound disposing mind to their best knowledge

Edward Rawson Record^r

A True Inventory of the Estate of Richard Church of Hingham deceased, Apprized by John Thaxter, & mathew Cushin : first of January : 1668 :

	<i>£ : s : d</i>
Imp ^s The dwelling house with the barne orchard & house Lott Containing six Acres	110 : 00 : ==
Item, halfe a tide mill	100 : 00 : ==
Item : his share of the jron worke at Taunton	050 : 00 . ==
Item : 2 Acres of Land Lying by the mill 10 ^s	010 : 00 . ==
Item : one Cow & one mare	006 : 10 : ==
Item : nine swine	008 : 00 . ==
Item : 15 : yards of Penniston : & 11 : yards of Cotton	003 : 15 . ==
Item his wearing Apparrell both linnen & wollen	008 : 00 . ==
Boots shoes & stockings	002 : 05 : ==
Item : one feather bed & the furn, thereto belonging	010 : 00 : ==
Item one feather bed & the furniture thereto belonging	007 : 10 . ==
Item one feather bed with the furniture thereto belonging	006 : 10 . ==
It : 9 : pare of sheets & tenn pillowbeers	009 : 10 : ==
It : 3 : Table = cloathes : 16 : napkins 7 : Towells	002 : 11 : ==
It : 11 : yards of Linnen cloath & 2 : yard ^s of Kersey	001 : 14 : ==
It : 3 : yards of Truckin cloath	000 . 18 : ==
It : Armes & amunition	004 . 00 . ==
It : a p ^r of Andjrns 3 Rakes fyer pan & tonges & one spitt :	002 : 06 : ==

It : 3 : iron potts one Kettle, one roasting iron 2 skillets one frying pan	002 : 10 . =
It : pewter platter flagon & Cups, basons porring ^{rs} & other pewter	003 : 15 . =
It : spice mortar smoothing iron & Candelstick	000 . 10 : =
It : one Table one forme & 4 chayres	002 : 00 . =
It : 2 : chests & 4 spinning wheeles	001 : 08 . =
It : wooden & Earthen Lumber	001 : 00 . =
It : a warming pann thred & 1 yard of cloath	000 : 10 : =
It : bookes	001 : 00 . =
It : English & Indian Corne	003 : 07 . =
It : Axes & Grinstone & other Carpenters tools	005 : 00 . =
It : Hay & oates	000 : 10 . =
It : halfe a Cart & plow jrons	000 : 15 . =
	<u>365 : 14 : 00</u>
John Thaxter math : Cushin	Sume is

Joseph Church deposed in Court that this paper Contains a true Inventory of the Estate of the late Richard Church his ffather to the best of his knowledge that when hee knowes more hee will discover it :

Edw : Rawson Record^r

CHATHAM, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 202.)

Malitiah hameltone y^e sone of Daniel and abigel hamelton was october the 29 = 1730

Elener hamelton the daughter of Daniel and abigel hamelton was born desember the 29 = 1733

Elifele^r hamelton y^e sune of Daniel and abigel hamlton was born Jenewery : the 10 173⁵/₈

Jedida young the daufter of John and dinah young was born march y^e 7 : 1737² Per mee Daniel Sears Clark

Samuel Hamltone y^e sune of Daniel and abigel hameltone was borne march y^e 29 : 1738 Daniel Seers Clark

[p. 56] September y^e 26 1728 Then nantheniell Rider and desire godfree both of Chaham was maried in s^d Chatham by Joseph doane Jestice of peace

September y^e 26 1728 then John eldreadg and ruhamah done of Chatham was maried by m^r Lord minister of y^e gosple

January 23 1728/9 then Theoder harding and Sarah hamuelton of eastham was maried at Chatham by Jestice doane Jestice of y^e peace

September y^e 24 1728-9 then Nathun Kinie and Marcy Smith both of Chatham was maried by m^r Lord minister at Chatham

[p. 68] December 15th 1731 then Elisha young Ju^r and Bethiah SMeth ware Marreid In Chatham By M^r Joseph Done Justes peace Reckord Made Junuar[y] y^e 16th 1731 pr Me Th^o Nickerson town Clark

[p. 76] [Sam]uall* Stuart son of Joseph and Mary [Stuar]t* was born y^e octobor y^e 25 Day 1727 Reckord Mde pr Me Th^o Nickerson Clark

Ellass Sturte Daftor of Joseph and Mary Stuart was born fabwary y^e 19 Day 1729 Reckord Made pr Me Th^o Nickeson Clarke

Salvenes harding the son of meziah and bethiah harding was born y^e 18 day of may 1723

Joseph harding y^e son of meziah and bethiah harding was born 21 day of february 1725

Seth harding the son of meziah and bethiah harding was born 16th day of January 1727

desire harding the daughter of meziah and bethiah harding was y^e 24th of aprill 1729

bethiah harding the daughter of meziah and bethiah harding was born y^e 22 day of march 1731

grace harding the daughter of meziah and bethiah harding was born y^e 30th of march 1733

marcy Stuert y^e Daughter of Joseph and mery Stuert was born July y^e 17 day 1735

Samuel Harding y^e sune of meziah and Bethiah harding was brn march y^e 29 1736

Thomos harding y^e sune of meziah and Bethiah harding was born aprel y^e 29 1738

Prince harding y^e sune of meziah and Bethiah harding was born July y^e 20 1740

[p. 77] Zeruah Rided y^e daughter of John a[nd mehitibel] Ridar was Born Jenewery y^e 12 : 1733⁴

Easter Rider y^e daughter of John : and mehitibel Rider was Born march y^e 4 : 1734²

[p 86] April 27th 1749 Lieu^t William E[ldredge]* Departed this Life In Chatham Entr[ed] the 3rd day of may : 1749 pr James Covel T[own Clerk]*

* Entry completed from an old copy of the records, of unknown date, in the Town Clerk's office.

[p. 97] Samuel Stewart & Deborah Lathrop Married y^e 2^d day of November An^oq^d 1721 Recorded Pr Mee Sam^l Steward Town Clerk married by Es. Peter Thatcher Recor^d March 28th 1722
 William Stuart y^e Son of Samuel & Deborah Stuart was Born y^e 11th Day of Janawary anodomini 172:6 Recorded pr Mee Th^o: Nickerson Town Clark

(To be continued.)

REPORTS FROM STATE SOCIETIES.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY.

THE Third Annual Forefathers' Day Service of the Massachusetts Society was held at Trinity Church, Boston, on Sunday afternoon, December 21, 1902. The Rev. George Hodges, D.D., the Elder of the Society, conducted the devotional services, and the Rev. Prof. Henry Sylvester Nash, D.D., of Cambridge delivered the address.

On Thursday evening, January 29, 1903, Mr. Burton Linwood Thomas of Boston gave his illustrated lecture on "The Pilgrim Shore" before the members and their guests, at Potter Hall, New Century Building, Boston.

The thirty-fourth meeting of the Society was held at the Hotel Vendome, Boston, on Thursday afternoon, February 19, 1903. After a brief business meeting, at which proposed amendments to the By-Laws were read, the Rev. R. Perry Bush of Chelsea made an address on "The Relation of Provincetown to Plymouth." Miss Grace D. Hamilton and Miss Bertha C. Smith, both of Boston, rendered several selections, Miss Hamilton on the piano and Miss Smith on the zither, and an informal reception followed.

At a meeting of the Board of Assistants held February 16, 1903, Mr. Edwin S. Crandon was elected Historian to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Frederick W. Parker.

The following Standing Committees for the year 1902-1903 have been appointed by the Board of Assistants:

Marking Historic Sites: John D. Long, Charles Francis Adams, Gamaliel Bradford, Myles Standish, M.D., Samuel B. Capen.

Historical Research: F. Apthorp Foster, Boylston A. Beal, Edwin S. Crandon, Rev. Thomas W. Nickerson, Jr., George Ernest Bowman.

Publication: Winslow Warren, Rev. Edward Huntingt Rudd, Edwin S. Crandon, George Ernest Bowman.

Library: Mrs. Thomas B. Griggs, Mrs. George F. Arnold, Miss Ellen Chase, John O. De Wolf, Clifford M. Swan.

Membership: Rev. Frederick B. Allen, Mrs. John Holmes Morison, Mrs. Henry E. Raymond, Mrs. Walter M. Farwell, Mrs. Frederic A. Turner.

Finance: L. Loring Brooks, George H. Leonard, Henry D. Forbes, Joseph H. Goodspeed, Fisher Ames.

Entertainment: Ray Greene Huling, Miss Harriet Arline Shaw, Horace H. Soule, Jr., Mrs. John A. Remick, Frederic W. Bliss.

DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY AND CABINET.

"Genealogy John Davis Long," a chart, from Hon. John D. Long of Hingham.

"One Branch of the Bradford Family or Descendants of Capt. Gamaliel Bradford," from Mrs. Palmer G. Wood of Fort Douglass, Utah.

"Map of the Town of Middleborough, Mass.," (1855), from Mr. Joseph E. Beals of Middleborough.

"Congregationalism as Seen in its Literature," from Mr. Morton Dexter of Boston.

"Journals of the Rev. Thomas Smith and the Rev. Samuel Deane," from Carolus M. Cobb, M.D., of Lynn.

"Ten Generations in New England," "The Waite Family of Boston, Mass.," "A Chapter in the Early History of Brookfield, Mass.," "Extracts Relative to the Origin of the American Navy," "Waite-Broughton," "A Sketch Relating to the Name and Family of Broughton," "Four Photographs of old Documents relating to the Broughton Family," "Fifty Generations," all from the compiler, Mr. Henry E. Waite of West Newton.

Vital Records of the Towns of Alford, Hinsdale, Pelham, Peru, Prince-ton and Walpole, Mass., (six volumes), from the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

"The Tucker Genealogy," from the compiler, Mr. Tyler Seymour Morris of Chicago, Ill.

"Clarke and Clark Genealogy," from the compiler, Mr. George Kuhn Clarke of Boston.

"Symon—Indian," from the author, Mr. Hamline E. Robinson of Maryville, Mo.

Leaf from an old record of Court Cases and Marriages, 1798 and 1799, from Mr. Edward H. Whorf of Boston.

"Ecclesiastical Records of the State of New York," two volumes, from Mr. Edwin S. Crandon of Boston.

First, Second, Third, Fourth, Ninth, Tenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-third to Twenty-ninth (inclusive) Reports on Boston Records, all from Mr. Edward W. McGlenen of Boston.

"Names Changed in Massachusetts, 1780-1892," from Mr. Arthur E. Linnell of Wollaston.

"Genealogy of the Brewster Family, 1892," from Mr. Henry C. Brewster of Rochester, N. Y.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 15, 1902.

757. Miss Emma Louise Harlow, Medford, tenth from Richard Warren.

758. George Holden Tinkham, Boston, eighth from Peter Brown.

January 19, 1903.

759. Miss Helen Perkins, Boston, ninth from William Brewster.

760. Henry White Broughton, M.D., Boston, eighth from Isaac Allerton, seventh from Remember Allerton.

761. Henry Edward Waite, West Newton, eighth from William Brewster.

762. Frank Elliot Dickerman, Somerville, eighth from John Alden.

February 16, 1903.

763. Mrs. Edwin King Moore, Boston, ninth from William Brewster.

764. Mrs. Walter Robbins Torrey, Norwell, tenth from William Brewster.

765. Mrs. George Moulton Adams, Auburndale, ninth from William Brewster.

766. Mrs. Paulding Farnham, Great Neck, L. I., N. Y., ninth from Wil-
liam Bradford.

767. Edward Henry Whorf, Boston, ninth from Henry Samson.
 768. Mrs. Edward Henry Whorf, Boston, eighth from John Alden.

SUPPLEMENTAL LINES FILED.

December, 1902.

593. William F. Dyer, eighth from John Howland.
 598. Rev. John E. Bowman, ninth from Degory Priest.
 682. Mrs. George H. Crocker, ninth from Francis Cooke.
 735. Mrs. Robert Enegren, tenth from John Alden; tenth from Thomas Rogers.
 740. Miss Winifred Johnson, ninth from John Alden.
 751. Leonard G. Paine, eighth from John Alden.
 758. George Holden Tinkham, eighth from Richard Warren.

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 3, 1902.

702. Miss Georgie Clare Goodrich, Charleston, S. C., tenth from William Bradford.
 703. Edward Nathaniel Loomis, New York, ninth from John Alden.
 704. Henry Wickes Loomis, New York, tenth from John Alden.

February 4, 1903.

705. Mrs. Franklin Baker Lefferts, New York, tenth from William Bradford.
 706. Charles Dunlap Hubbard, Wyncote, Pa., eighth from John Alden.
 707. Mrs. Samuel Lyman Munson, Albany, ninth from John Howland.
 708. Mrs. Horatio Seymour, Marquette, Mich., eighth from John Alden.
 709. Mrs. George Crouse Cook, New York, eighth from William Bradford.
 710. Mrs. Charles Albert Alois Gall, Indianapolis, Ind., eighth from William Bradford.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 3, 1902.

143. Mrs. Charles M. Conyngham, Wilkes Barre, ninth from William Brewster.
 144. William Arthur Lathrop, Wilkes Barre, ninth from William Brewster.

ILLINOIS SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 10, 1902.

98. Mrs. Roger Marcus Bassett, Chicago, eighth from John Howland.

December 19, 1902.

99. Eliphalet Huntington Blatchford, Chicago, eighth from William Bradford.
 100. Charles Cheney Hyde, Chicago, ninth from William Bradford.
 101. Edward Williams Blatchford, Chicago, eighth from William Bradford.
 102. Charles Hammond Blatchford, Chicago, eighth from William Bradford.
 103. Rufus Cutler Dawes, Evanston, eighth from Edward Doty.
 104. Charles Gates Dawes, Evanston, eighth from Edward Doty.

OHIO SOCIETY.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting held at Cincinnati, November 22, 1902 :

Governor,	Herbert Jenney
Deputy Governor,	Mrs. Frank J. Jones
Captain,	William H. Doane
Elder,	Rev. John Hugh Ely
Secretary,	Miss Clara Chipman Newton
Treasurer,	Henry C. Yergason
Historian,	William H. Pabodie
Surgeon,	Dr. Herman J. Groesbeck
Assistants,	Mrs. Frank R. Ellis, Mrs. Henry M. Curtis, Mrs. George Hoadly, Mrs. Albert H. Chatfield, Charles D. Jones, Charles H. Newton.

The following Committees have been appointed :

Membership : Mrs. Frances D. Jones, Mrs. Evelyn G. Curtis, Mrs. Helen H. Chatfield.

Finance : Dr. Herman J. Groesbeck, Charles Bartlett, Mrs. Harriet F. Greve.

Entertainment and Property : Mrs. Genevieve G. Hoadly, Miss Frances L'H. Jones, Miss Ida F. Doane.

Publication : Charles D. Jones, Edward W. Buell, Mrs. Clara A. R. Devereux.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 2, 1902.

52. Miss Betsey King Peters, Cincinnati, tenth from William Bradford.

53. Mrs. Van Derveer Taylor, Cincinnati, tenth from William Bradford.

January 6, 1903.

54. Mrs. Ethan Osborn Hurd, Plainville, ninth from William Brewster.

February 13, 1903.

55. Mrs. Penn Langdon, Vernonville, ninth from Richard Warren.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

January 13, 1903.

151. Charles Weston Hopkins Brown, Takoma Park, ninth from Stephen Hopkins.

February 10, 1903.

152. William Elijah Fuller, West Union, Iowa, ninth from Edward Fuller, eighth from Samuel² Fuller.

153. Fred Bond, Cheyenne, Wyoming, eighth from Isaac Allerton, seventh from Mary Allerton.

WISCONSIN SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 9, 1902.

44. Edward Morris Fuller, Madison, ninth from Edward Fuller.

45. John Ard Gordon, Omaha, Neb., ninth from Thomas Rogers.

46. George Henry Noyes, Milwaukee, eighth from John Howland.

February 23, 1903.

47. Mrs. Charles Augustin Maynard, Milwaukee, tenth from Stephen Hopkins, ninth from Gyles Hopkins.

RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

December 10, 1902.

48. Mrs. Josephus Gooding, Bristol, seventh from William Bradford.
49. Gertrude Gooding, M.D., Bristol, eighth from William Bradford

MAINE SOCIETY.

MEMBER ELECTED.

November 21, 1902.

33. Miss Abbie Ellen Wood, Winthrop, eighth from Peter Brown.

PILGRIM NOTES AND QUERIES.

NOTES.

TRURO, MASS., VITAL RECORDS. The work of copying the vital records of Truro is nearly completed and the greater part of the first volume is already in type. It is estimated that the funds now in hand will cover the expense of completing the copy of the records, consequently every gift or advance payment for a copy of the book hereafter received can be applied directly to the work of printing. The rest of the manuscript will be put into the printer's hands as rapidly as the funds will warrant.

It is important to bear in mind that subscribers for copies of the book who remit with their order will save one dollar and also hasten the date of publication. The price of the book will be \$4.00, but those who pay in advance of publication will be allowed a discount of one dollar, getting their copies for \$3.00 each.

The index is being prepared as fast as the printed pages are made up, thus making the records immediately accessible, and also making it possible to put the manuscript of the index into the hands of the printer within a very short time after the last page of the records is in type. This will materially hasten the publication of the book.

The Publication Committee is doing everything within its power to bring about the publication of the book at the earliest possible date, and once more appeals to all interested in the records of Truro, or any other Cape Cod town, to assist the work by gifts or by advance subscriptions. As soon as the Truro book has been issued work on another Cape Cod town will be started. All communications should be addressed to the Editor of "The Mayflower Descendant."

EASTHAM, ORLEANS, PROVINCETOWN AND WELLFLEET VITAL RECORDS. The town of Orleans, incorporated in 1797, was formerly a part of the town of Eastham. Since the time of the division the records of the original town of Eastham have been kept at Orleans, but a recent law provides for their return to the custody of the Town Clerk of Eastham. These ancient records we have been publishing under the caption "Eastham and Orleans, Mass., Vital Records" since they cover the territory which is now two distinct towns. We shall continue to publish these records in "The

Mayflower Descendant" until the condition of the "Cape Cod Town Record Fund" warrants publishing the records of each town in a separate book. When so published the Eastham book will contain the entries from the original records (now at Orleans) down to 1797 and the records now at Eastham down to 1850. The Orleans book will contain the vital records of the present town of Orleans, from its incorporation in 1797, down to 1850.

We are now prepared to receive subscriptions for the Eastham, Orleans, Provincetown and Wellfleet books. Every subscription will hasten the carrying out of our plans for printing the vital records of all the Cape Cod towns. The prices of the books will be as follows: Eastham, \$4.00 (*\$3.00 if paid in advance of publication*); Orleans, \$3.00 (*\$2.00 if paid in advance*); Provincetown, \$4.00 (*\$3.00 if paid in advance*); Wellfleet, \$4.00 (*\$3.00 if paid in advance*).

MEMORIAL EDITION OF BREWSTER, MASS., VITAL RECORDS. One third of the limited edition has been subscribed for at present writing. This edition will contain, in addition to the vital records of the town, sketches of Elder Brewster and of the town, and numerous interesting and valuable illustrations, the whole making a book which will be an honor both to the town and to the person for whom it was named, and one which any descendant from Elder Brewster or from any former inhabitant of the town will be proud to own. Since but 150 copies, each one numbered and signed, are to be issued, the book is sure to increase in value rapidly.

Subscriptions will be received from any one, whether descended from Elder Brewster or not. Subscriptions for the Memorial Edition will not be accepted unless accompanied by a remittance. The price of this edition is \$3.00, payable strictly in advance. The price of the regular edition, which will contain nothing but the vital records of the town, will be \$2.00 (*\$1.00 if paid in advance of publication*). All communications should be addressed to the Editor.

It is expected that the copying of these records will be completed before this number of "The Mayflower Descendant" reaches our subscribers, but the copy will not be put into the hands of the printer until the amount received from gifts and subscriptions is sufficient to ensure the success of the undertaking.

One hundred sets of Bowman's Ancestral Charts and five copies of the Freeman Genealogy have been donated to be sold and the receipts applied towards the expense of this memorial to the ancestor of the donor. For particulars see our advertising pages.

CAPE COD TOWN RECORD FUND. *Contributions received:* John W. P. Lombard, Milwaukee, Wis., \$15.00; Francis R. Allen, Boston, \$10.00. *Advance payments for copies of* Eastham, Orleans, Provincetown, Truro and Wellfleet books, \$131.00; *Previously acknowledged,* \$208.00; *Total receipts,* \$364.00.

COLONIAL RESEARCH FUND. *Contributions received:* George Ernest Bowman, \$100.00 (Additional receipts from sales of Bowman's Ancestral Charts and Freeman Genealogies, as advertised.); Mr. Henry E. Waite, West Newton, \$15.00; Mr. Edward H. Whorf, Boston, \$10.00; Mrs. John H. Derby, Sandy Hill, N. Y., \$10.00; Mrs. Charles L. Seabury, Yonkers, N. Y., \$5.00; Mrs. William P. Weyman, Fitchburg, \$3.00; Mrs. William

P. Hammond, Boston, \$3.00; W. L. Kingman, Yonkers, N. Y., \$3.00; Mrs. Charles R. Brayton, Providence, R. I., \$2.50; Mr. James Shepard, New Britain, Conn., \$2.00; Total, \$153.50.

QUERIES.

[*Queries are inserted for Subscribers only, and are strictly limited to Pilgrim subjects. Those which can be answered by study of easily accessible printed records, genealogies, &c., cannot be inserted. Answers should be sent to the Editor, for publication.*]

48. THE NAME "COMPACT." When was the name "Compact" first applied to the agreement drawn up on the Mayflower before the Pilgrims landed at Cape Cod? The earliest date I have found is 1814. E. G. T.

49. MAYO. The will of Andrew Ring [Mayflower Descendant, IV : 193] mentions his daughter "Elizabeth Mayo late of Eastham, deceased," also her son John and her daughters, the daughters not being named. Who was the husband of Elizabeth, and who were the daughters? Did the son John or the daughters leave descendants?
J. R. M.

BOOK NOTES.

The Litchfield Family in America. Part I, No. 1. By Wilford J. Litchfield, M.S. 8vo. paper, pp. 104. Price, \$1.50. For sale by the compiler, at Southbridge, Mass.

This genealogy is being issued in parts, the one before us containing the first three generations of the descendants of Lawrence Litchfield of Barnstable and Scituate, in Plymouth Colony. The pamphlet shows the results of careful and systematic research. A most valuable feature is the large number of wills and deeds which are printed in full, and the unusually numerous abstracts of other original records and of unrecorded deeds. This work is an important addition to the literature relating to Plymouth Colony and will be of interest to nearly every one who is descended from old Scituate families.

The Indian Sagamore, Samoset. By Albert Matthews. Reprinted from The Publications of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, Volume VI.

In this interesting pamphlet of sixteen pages the author has collected all known references to the names "Samoset" and "Capt. John Somerset," from which he draws the conclusion that the two names referred to the same person and that "Somerset" was a corruption of the man's Indian name "Samoset."

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY, 1903.

Moses Maverick's Will and the Settlement of His Estate. (*Illustrated.*)
The Estate of William² Mullins.
Edward Winslow.
Col. John Gorham's "Wast Book." (*Illustrated.*)
Major John Freeman's Will and the Agreement of His Heirs.

THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS

James W. Woodman
of the County of Middlesex
do hereby certify that
the within and foregoing
Maggie Woodman
is the daughter of
John Woodman
and Mary Woodman
both of the County of Middlesex
and State of Massachusetts
and that she is a minor.

ENDORSEMENT ON WOODMAN GUARDIANSHIP PAPER.

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MOSES MAVERICK'S WILL AND INVENTORY AND THE SETTLEMENT OF HIS ESTATE.

Transcribed from the Original Documents and Records,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

MOSES MAVERICK of Marblehead, Mass., which was originally a part of Salem, is called the son-in-law of Isaac Allerton in the Records of the Massachusetts Bay Colony* as early as 6 May, 1635; from Bradford's History we learn that Allerton's daughter Remember was married and living at Salem in 1651 and had three or four children; and from the Salem records we know that Maverick had four children living at the time Bradford wrote. In the entire absence of any evidence to the contrary there can be, therefore, no doubt that before 6 May, 1635, Moses Maverick had married Remember Allerton, who came over with her parents in the Mayflower.

But we do not have to depend solely on the evidence mentioned for proof of this marriage. Among the documents relating to the settlement of Maverick's estate on file in the Essex County Registry of Probate at Salem † is the appointment, on 22 September, 1693, of Edward Woodman as guardian of his children Remember and John to receive their share of their grandfather Maverick's estate. On the back of this document is endorsed the following: "Daughters of Moses & Rember Maverick. Abigail Wards Children Eliza Skinner Remember Woodmⁿ dec^d her Child. Mary Ferguson Sarah Norman." The illustration shows the exact size of the original

* Volume I, page 149.

† Case No. 30,618.

endorsement, which establishes beyond dispute the fact that Moses Maverick married Remember Allerton.*

Moses Maverick died at Marblehead 28 January, 1685/6.† His will, which he had not signed, was presented for probate at the court held at Ipswich 30 March, 1686, but some of the children objected to its allowance and the case was postponed to the next court to be held at Salem. The next record found is at Boston, 15 July, 1686, when the widow Eunice (Maverick's second wife) was appointed administratrix. The will and inventory with the bond of the administratrix and the depositions of Gale, Ferguson and Norman are on file in the Suffolk County Registry of Probate ‡ at Boston, and the original documents have been used in making the copies here presented.

The administratrix evidently neglected her duties, for Edward Woodman petitioned the court held at Ipswich 22 April, 1691, to order an accounting, claiming that nothing had as yet been done towards settling the estate, and Mrs. Maverick was ordered to bring in her account at the court to be held at Salem 30 June, 1691.§ Mrs. Maverick presented herself as ordered, but Woodman failed to appear and prosecute his case.||

On the twenty-ninth of September Woodman again sought an accounting and Mrs. Maverick was ordered to appear at the court to be held at Salem 30 November, 1691. This time Woodman was obliged to give bonds for his appearance. The September petition is similar to the one presented in April, but contains a little more information and for that reason has been printed instead of the earlier one, the copy being made from the original document.

The next record found is under date of 22 September, 1693, when, as already shown, Remember and John Woodman chose their father Edward Woodman as their guardian, and he must have promptly made another demand for an accounting by the

* Many have been misled by an article in the N. E. Historical and Genealogical Register (VIII: 265) in which the author stated, without quoting any authority, that Moses Maverick married Sarah Allerton, and that Remember probably died unmarried or without issue. The article appeared in 1854, before Bradford's History was discovered. Long and diligent research by the present writer has failed to produce a single contemporary record to show that Moses Maverick at any time had a wife Sarah, and even those who claim that he married Sarah Allerton do not furnish any contemporary evidence to substantiate their claim.

† Records of First Church, page 1. ‡ Docket No. 1,472.

§ Essex Co. Court Papers, 50: 70. Also "Records of County Court, 1682 to 1692, Ipswich," Case No. 98 at Court held 22 April, 1691.

|| "Records of County Court, 1679 to 1692, Salem." Court held 22 July, 1691, Case No. 42.

administratrix, for on 13 November, 1693, Mrs. Maverick was granted more time.

The next record is dated five years later, 29 November, 1698, when a final agreement of the heirs was signed. This agreement is copied in full from the original on file at Salem.*

[PETITION FOR PROBATE OF THE WILL.]

M^{rs} Maverick y^e Widow, & Relict of M^r Mosses Maverick of Marbleh^d Deceased, p^rsenting to this Court, a paper for a probate as y^e mind of y^e Deceased, Some of y^e children being p^rsent Object^d ags^t it. The Court willeing to have w^t Information they can & to give y^e p^rties consarned . mo^r time to pvide y^m Selves, do referr y^e casse to Salem Court next, & all persons therein consarned to give theire attendence [Essex Co. Court Rcds. Vol. "County Court, 1682 to 1692, Ipswich"; Court held 30, March, 1686, Case No. 35.] †

[THE WILL.]

The Last Will and Testament of Moses Maverick of Marblehead

I Moses Maverick being weak in body, but of sound memory, & knowing the uncertainty of y^s life, & desirous to setle the estate the Ld hath lent to me, doe hereby revoke & null all former wills & declare y^s as my last will & Testament,

I commend my soul into the hands of my Mercifull Creatour & Redeemer, my body to the earth decently to be burried, my temporall estate I dispose in manner following.

Inps: I will that my just & due debts be truely satisfied & paid out of my estate in conve[nient time afte]r my decease by my Executor or Executrix hereafter named, in order whereto I do impower & give full liberty to one or both of them with the advice & consent of my overseers hereafter named to sell & alienate any part or such part of the reall estate as may be best spared to respond the same.

Item I give & bequeath to my dear wife Eunice all my household goods & utensills of w^t kind, nature, quality or condition soever, to her owne proper behoof, thereof & therewith

* Essex Co. Registry of Probate, Case No. 18,029.

† There is another record (under same date) of this petition in the volume labelled "County Court, Ipswich. Sept. 1682 to Apr. 1686," folio 59.

to do, use, or dispose of att her owne will & pleasure; And ffurthermore my will is, that the whole remainder of my estate, with all ye profits, commodities, emoluments & Rents, both reall & personall whatever it is, & whereever it may be found do abide & remain in the hands of my wife to be improved & laid out for her comfortable maintenance during ye whole te(r)me of her naturall life and in case of reall need for the comfort of her life, I further authorize & impower my Executor with the advice & consent of ye overseers to alienate any part of my reall estate, as may be necessary for ye aboves^d ends.

Item after the decease of my wife my will is, y^t ye whole estate then left be thus disposed of. I doe out of ye same give & bequeath to Moses Hawks ye onely surviving child of my daughter Rebecca deceased five pounds, Item to the four children of my daughter Abigail deceased, viz^t Sam^{ll} : Ward, Abigail Hinds, Mary Dallabar & Martha Ward I bequeath five pounds aps to each of them :

The rest of my estate whatever I give & bequeath to my four daughters, viz^t Eliz : Skinner, Rememb Woodman, Mary fferguson & Sarah Norman to be equally divided among them & for ever enjoyed by them & their Heirs, for the performance of w^{ch}, & to make an equall partition I do by these fully impower & authorize my Executor surviving with the advice & consent of my overseers to sell, alienate & give legall bills of sale of any part or ye whole estate left, housing and Lands, and of ye money thereof coming to make equall & just distribution to ye Legatees aboves^d viz^t my four daughters, & all within one twelvemoneth att least ;

I constitute my dear wife Eunice, Executrix of y^s will, & in all emergent difficulties my sonne in Law Archebald ffurgeson Executor, & my loving ffreinds Sam^{ll} : Cheever & Ambrose Gale Overseers of ye execution of ye same ; And I do also by these ratify & confirme the bills of sale made to my two daughters Mary & Sarah for ye land & housing where they now dwell, they paying the Rent conditioned for to my wife during her life, and in witness [*worn*] have hereunto sett my hand & seal this [*] day of January : Anno Dom : 1685

The aboves^d was delivered in by m^r Cheever in Court March 30th '86 in Ipsw^{ch}, Refereing to an evidence given in by him as attest

Jn^o Appleton Cl

* The day of the month was not filled in.

[THE INVENTORY.]

An Inventory of the goods and chattells of Mr Moses Maverick of Marble-head deceased taken by us whose names are underwritten this 26th of feeb : 168³/₈

His apparrell	£	s	d
Inps : One black suit coat, jackett & breeches	01	15	00
One jackett & breeches : 12 ^s 1 kersey coat : 15 ^s :	01	07	00
Three old coats & 2 old jacketts & 1 old wescoat :	01	00	00
One old cloake 2 pr drawers 7 ^s 7 pr stockings : 8 ^s	00	15	00
Two hattts : 10 ^s 4 old shirts 7 ^s 2 pr old drawers 3 ^s	01	00	00
Six bands 3 ^s : 2 caps : 12 ^d 2 pr old shoes : 3 ^s	00	07	00

In the Great chamb :

One old featherbed & bolster with 2 pillowes & coverlett & blankett }	03	05	00
One bedstead & 1 old pr of curtains	01	00	00
Five pr sheets 3 ^{ll} 1 doz : napkins 7 ^s :	03	07	00
Ten old napkins . 3 ^s . 8 old towels . 2 ^s . 6 pillow- } bers 10 ^s	00	15	00
Three tablecloths 8 ^s , 2 old bolstercases 2 ^s	00	10	00
Three old chests . 8 ^s	00	08	00

In the Parlour

One featherbed & bolster with 2 pillowes :	03	10	00
Three blanketts & 1 old Rugge : 22 ^s :	01	02	00
Seven pr of sheets . 3 ^{ll} 10 ^s & 1 odde old sheet : 3 ^s :	03	13	00
Two doz : napkins . 18 ^s , three table cloths . 14 ^s :	01	12	00
Three pr of pillowbeers . 12 ^s & Linnen : 18 ^d	00	13	06
One bedstead & curtains	02	00	00
One small featherbed & bolster 20 ^s :	01	00	00
Two old blanketts & 1 old coverlett : 10 ^s	00	10	00
Two old small bedsteds 4 ^s	00	04	00
One square table & 4 old joynt stools : 20 ^s	01	00	00
Six old leather chairs 12 ^s . 1 great ditto : 4 ^s :	00	16	00
Eight small old chairs 8 ^s : Six cushions . 6 ^s :	00	14	00
One chest of drawers & cloth :	00	13	00
Two old boxes 5 ^s :	00	05	00
Nineteen oz old plate att 5 ^s pr oz	04	15	00
Eight old great milke basons	02	00	00
Twelve old plates . 11 ^s 8 pewt ^r dishes . 30 ^s :	02	01	00
Two pewter potts . 8 ^s . 1 qt pott . 1 pt . 1 ¹ / ₂ pt ¹ / ₄ pt : 5 ^s :	00	13	00
Three basons 5 ^s 1 old qt pott . 18 ^d 3 porringers & } dish 3 ^s :	00	09	06
Two old candlesticks . 5 ^s Spoons : 6 ^d	00	05	06
One ¹ / ₂ doz : trenchers . 12 ^d Latten ware . 2 ^s 6 ^d	00	03	06
One old mortar . 2 ^s 1 Lamp : 18 ^d Earthen ware : 2 ^s	00	05	06
Two brass ketles & 1 brass pan . 25 ^s . 1 copper : 35 ^s :	03	00	00

Two old iron potts . 8 ^s 1 skillet . 5 ^s 2 skales & weights 8 ^s }	01 : 01 : 00
Two iron candlesticks . 12 ^d 1 seive & skimmer : 12 ^d	00 : 02 : 00
One old case & 3 botles . 5 ^s , 2 old chests : 5 ^s :	00 : 10 : 00
One old cupboard . 3 ^s : 1 pr cobirons 10 ^s :	00 : 13 : 00
One spit & fender : 3 ^s : tongs & fire pan . 3 ^s :	00 : 06 : 00
Two pr Crooks . 5 ^s . bellowes . 6 ^d . box iron & heaters . 2 ^s :	00 : 07 : 06
One iron back : 5 ^s , iron barr . 5 ^s . 1 toster . 18 ^d	00 : 11 : 06
One old axe & hatchett, 1 wedge & dungforke	00 : 04 : 00
One ladle & knife : 12 ^d , 1 hourglass 6 ^d 1 still : 15 ^s	00 : 16 : 06
Two old swords & gun : 15 ^s . 1 looking glass . 8 ^s & case . 2 ^s :	01 : 05 : 00
Two earthen plates & 1 wheel : 2 ^s 6 ^d 1 pr small skales 6 ^d :	00 : 03 : 00
	<hr/>
	52 : 14 : 00
	<i>l s d</i>
Brought from the other side	52 . 14 . 00
One small table . 2 ^s . old Caske & lumber 5 ^s	00 : 07 : 00
One old warming pan & 1 old ffrying pan	00 : 05 : 00
One old flaskett : 12 ^d	00 : 01 : 00
Caryl : 2 ^d voll : 3 ^s : Hildersham 6 ^s ., & other small books 3 ^s }	00 : 12 00
One Cow & 2 young Cattell :	06 : 00 : 00
His house & Land with one Cow-commonage : with the outhousing }	150 : 00 : 00
A small pasture behind y ^e meeting house :	008 : 00 : 00
Meddow ground before the house	60 : 00 : 00
His Part in the ffarme	60 : 00 : 00
One Cow lease	05 : 00 : 00

Att the request of M^{rs} Eunice Maverick Relict of y^e deceased we apprized the estate, and find it amounting to the sume of
as witness our hands

Signum

Thomas Pitman

John Legg

Debts due from the estate.

	<i>£ . s . d</i>
Inps. To M ^r Usher & Company	20 : 00 : 00
To M ^r Charles Redford for old debts	30 : 06 : 07½
To Ditto for funerall expences	04 : 14 : 04
To M ^r Savage for funerall	17 : 16 : 01
To Josh : Scottow assignd him	72 : 17 : 00½
To M ^r Chevers money	05 : 00 : 00
To M ^r . Leg	01 : 00 : 00
To Hawkins	00 : 10 : 00
To Doctor Barton	04 : 12 : 06

To John florbuish	00 : 09 : 00
To Timothie Bray	01 : 00 : 00
To M ^r William Brown Senior.	
To the making a coffin & Grave	01 : 00 : 00
	<u>86 : 08 : 06½</u>

Given in to Court at Ipswich March 30 : 1686 p^r m^{rs}.
Maverick, Relect of Mosses Maverick deceased, to be y^e whole
Estate of y^e deceased,

As Attest Jn^o Appleton Cler.

Eunice Maverick Exhibiting this paper Made Oath that the
Acco^t Containes a just Inventory of the Estate her husband
dyed seized of and is come to hand and when more appears she
will adde it :

Boston July 15 . 1686 :

Jurat . Coram . Preside
Att^r Daniel Allin Cler.

[APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATRIX.]

L^{res} Admin^{con}

By The Hon^{ble} Joseph Dudley . Esq^r President of this his
Maj^{ty}s Territory and Dominion of New England in America :

Full Power and Authority To administer all and Singular
the Goods Estate and Credits of Moses Maverick late of Marble-
head deceased Intestate is Graunted unto Eunice Maverick his
Relict Widdow she having Given bond and Security to Admin-
ister the sd Estate whether Reall or personall According to
Law :

Boston : 15 . July . 1686

Attest^r Daniel Allin Cler

[Suffolk County Probate Records, IX : 295]

[BOND OF ADMINISTRATRIX.]

Know all men by these presents That Wee Eunice Maverick
Relict Widdow of Moses Maverick late of Marblehead Deceased,
Anthony Checkley and John Waite of Boston Merch^{ts} are holden
and stand firmly bound unto our Sovereign Lord the King in
the full Summe of Eight hundred pounds Current money of
New England To be paid unto him heires or successors to the
true payment Whereof wee Do bind our selves our heires Ex-
ecutors and Adminst firmly by these presents Jointly and
severally Sealed with our Seales Dated in Boston this 15 day

of July Anno Domⁱ 1686 . Annoq R Ris Jacobi Secundi Secundo &c^a.

The Conclion of this p^rsent Obligacon is such that Whereas To the above bounden Eunice Maverick are Graunted Letters of Administracon to the Estate of her Late Huband Moses Maverick of Marblehead deceased intestate and hath Exhibited an Inventory thereof under Oath, if Therefore the abovebounden Eunice Maverick Do well and truly Administer all and Singular the Estate left by her said husband According to Law and shall within Twelve months next Comeing render an Acco^t of her Administracon unto Joseph Dudley Esq^r President of this his Maj^{ty}es. Territory, under oath and shall Likewise be accountable and responsible for the s^d Estate unto the s^d President or his successors so farre as the law will Charge her therewith whensoever lawfully Called thereunto then this above written Obligacon, to be Voyd or else to be abide and remain in full force and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivr'd
In Presence of.
Daniel Allin
Tho. Dudley

Eu Marvicek (seal)
Anthony Checkley (seal)
John Waite (seal)

[DEPOSITIONS.]

Ambros Gale of Marblehead aged about fifty five yeares Testifieth, that sometyme in the m^o of february last past . m^r Samuuell Chevers minester in sayd Towne Came to my house, & told mee that m^r Moses Maverick would Speake with mee, soe I went with him to m^r Mavericks house & m^r Maverick told mee he had chosen or pitched upon m^r Chevers & mee, to be the overseeres to his Estate & desired mee to accept of the same; but by Reson of my Occations I told him I could not & desired him to thinke upon some other person y^t might better attend & performe y^e same,

Sworne Salem March y^e 29th 168⁵/₆

Before mee John Hathorne Assist

The deposition of Archibald forguson Aged About 37 yeares and John Norman Aged About 26 yeares testifieth and Saith that thay wass At M^r Mavericke house Som time In decembr Last past and wee heard M^r Mavericke Say That M^r Chevers of marblehead wass to mak his will and he did declare how he would have It made that he would Give his whole Istate to his wife for hur Comfortable maintenanc duering hur Lief and after

hur decaze what was then Left to return to his foer dafter now Living only Sum Legecies he would Leave to Sum of his Grand Children

both persons affirmed y^e hull of what is above but were not sworn being Legatacyes

J. Dudley

July, 16 . 1686.

[SECOND PETITION FOR AN ACCOUNTING.]

To y^e Honored County Court holden at Ipswich Septem^r 29 1691. The Humble Petition of Edward Woodman Sen^r of Boston who Married Remember Maverick Daughter of Moses Maverick Late of Marblehead in Behalf of his Seven Children of his said Remember his Wife . humbly Sheweth

That Whereas Administration to y^e Estate of y^e s^d Moses Maverick Deceased, was granted to Unice Maverick Widdow & Relict of Said Moses Maverick by Joseph Dudley Esqr President of his Majesties Territory in New England the 15th of July 1686 . and she being bound with Sureties for her true Administration on Said Estate and to give an account thereof & of Said Estate when Called thereto and to be Responsible for y^e Same . Since which time Nothing hath been done in order to y^e Settlement of Said Estate among y^e Heires of Said Moses Maverick to whom of Right y^e said Estate belongs and by Reason whereof they are great Sufferers.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that this Honored Court will Order that the Said Unice Administratrix Give Account of her Administration and of Said Estate that so there may be Legall Settlement thereof and y^e Persons Concerned may Receive therefrom their just Dues : and your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall Ever pray

EdWard Woodman

In Court held . at . Ipswich Sep^t y^e 29th 1691

In answer to this petition.

It is ordered y^t warrant be Issued out against m^{rs} Unice Maverick Relict of M^r Moses Maverick Late of Marble head, deceased & administratrix to his Estate . to Sumons her to bring in her accout of her administration Granted by Joseph Dudley Esq^r President In Boston 15th day of July 1686. unto ye next County Court to be holden at Salem on ye Last Tuseday of Nov^{br} next. Then & there to attend y^e Courts, order & settlement, y^{of}. & y^e Said Edward woodman by way of Caution obligeth him self heires execu^{trs} & adminis^{tr} in y^e sum of

10^l namely to y^e people of Essex & parties Concerned to be paid In Case of defeat y^e Condition is y^t y^e sd . Ed. Woodman shall yⁿ appear at said Court & prsecute this his Complaint. & from Court to Court till y^e cause be Ended & will pay all cost and damage as y^e sd Unice Maverick shall by Law recover against him in y^e prsecution of ye said Compl^t

as attests Tho^s Wade . Cler

To ye marshall of Essex or his Lawfull deputy You are hereby required In y^r Majesties name. To deliver This same to M^{rs} Unice Maverick of Marblehead & give accout^t of y^r doings hereon to ye Court to be holden at Salem In ye Last Tuseday of Nov^{br} next as y^u w^{ll} answer ye Contrary at yr perill

☞ Curiam Tho Wade octo : 22^d 1691.

To M^{rs} Unice Maverick Relict of M^r Moses Maverick Late of Marblehead deceased. You are hereby required in yr Majesties Names to Make Your personall appearance at ye next County Court to be holden at Salem on ye Last Tuseday of novemb^r next Then & There to Answer To M^r Edward Woodman of boston . who married Remember daghter to ye sd. Moses deceased & yrby . Concerned in ye Estate . of sd. Moses deceased. & as you are adminstr^r & obliged to give accout^t of yr administration when Called . as by ye declaration here sent of which you are not to faile as you will answer ye Contrary at yr prill

Ipswich Octo. ye 22^d 1691 : ☞ Curiam Tho Wade . Cler

October y^e 22^d 1691 : Warrant is Issued out against ye said mrs Unice Maverick & a Coppie of ye declaration or Libel annexed,

as attests Tho^s Wade . Cler

[Essex Co. Court Papers, 51 : 118]

[APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN.]

Know all men by these presents That We Remember Woodman . aged about Twenty yeares, and John Woodman aged about seventeen yeares Children of M^r Edward Woodman late of Marblehead in the County of Essex Mariner Have and hereby Do nominate, depute, make choice of and appoint out afores^d Father Edw^d Woodman to be Guardian to us and each of us respectively, for us and each of us, in our and each of our names, and to our respective uses to aske, demand sue for, recover and take into his possession all and every such part, portion and Dividend of the Estate left by our late Grandfather M^r Moses Maverick late of Marblehead deced to us and each

of us belonging in right of our mother Remember Woodman, Giving and hereby granting unto our s^d Father and Guardian our full power and authority to receive, recover, manage, imploy and improve the same for our best benefit and advantage during our and each of our minority Praying that he may be so allowed. Witness our hands and seales hereunto set the 22th day of September 1693 . In the Fifth year of their Maj^{ties} Reign

Sealed and Delivered
in presence of us.

James Meeres
Deborah proutt

Remember Woodman (Seal)
Joh Woodman (Seal)

(Seal) Essex ss. By the Hon^{ble} Barth^o Gedney Esq^r Judge of Probate &c.

The abovenamed Remember Woodman and John Woodman psonally appearing acknowledged the abovementioned Instrum^t to be their Act and Deed, which is approved and allowed of in Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal of s^d office the Day afores^d
Barth^o Gedney
Steph: Sewall Reg^r.

Essex ss Before the Hon^{ble} Barth^o Gedney Esq^r. Novemb^r 13th : 1693

M^{rs}. Unice Maverick relict widow of M^r Moses Maverick Deceased att the request of Edward Woodman Guardian to his Children being Cited to give an acc^t. of her Administracon on the Said M^r Moses Maverick Deceased alledged She was not provided to render an acc^t and prayed a months time which is granted.

[Essex Co. Prob. Rcds., 303 : 189.]

[FINAL AGREEMENT OF THE HEIRS.]

Know all men by these presents, that whereas some years since our honoured ffather mr Moses Maverick of Marble-head deceased Intestate, and Administration of the estate amounting by Inventory to the value of three hundred forty two pounds & 19^s was comitted to his Relict widdow Eunice Maverick, for the discharging of the Debts, ffunerall charges &c due from the s^d estate, and ffinding most, if not all cleared and paid, and designing an amicable agreement may be kept and maintained

amongst the children and such as Legally represent them, to whom any part of what is left may belong, as also a creditable and comfortable maintenance for his above s^d Relict Widdow and finding the housing much decayed, and in a ruinous condition, We whose names are here subscribed, being all the children and grand-children of the s^d Moses Maverick, and capable legally to act, and named as followes; Archebald ffurgeson Trustee for and in behalfe of his children by Mary his wife deceased; John Norman husband to Sarah the onely surviving daughter of the s^d Maverick, & Moses Hawks the onely son of Rebecca the eldest daughter deceased for himselfe, and in behalfe also of W^m Hughes & Thomas Jackson married to Elizabeth and Priscilla Grafton, children of Elizabeth Grafton deceased, and by their Order impowred in this affair; Samuel Ward in behalfe of himselfe and his two sisters living and the children of his third and fourth sister deceased, descending ffrom Abigail Ward deceased; and Thomas Perkins married to Remember Woodman in behalfe of himselfe and all the Bretheren, children of Remember Woodman deceased; We above named doe consent, and mutually agree, that for the Ends abovesd, The whole estate now left, both Reall and personall, any of which may of right belong to us, be sold, and converted into money, and that after the payng of what just debt may yet be found due from the s^d estate, the third part of the s^d money be given freely to our hono[ur]ed aged mother Eunice Maverick, for her comfortable [ma]intenance and subsistence to improve and make use of as she shall see fit, and that the other two thirds be divided equally into six equall parts, and the persons above named may have and enjoy the same equally according to their degree of Relation, and persons whom they represent, Moses Hawks one sixt for himselfe Samuell Ward for himselfe and sisters a sixt, and so as above expressed; And we do ffarther Agree that Moses Hawks and Archebald ffurgeson shall have, and by this Instrument receive full power and authority to make sale of all the s^d houses and lands of our deceased ffather, and by vertue of this power shall have liberty, in six moneths or as soon as maybe convenient, and according to instructions from us, To make such Deeds and Conveyances in due forme, in our behalfe, as may give a sufficient Title to any Purchaser whatever, Their own necessary charges to be deducted from the whole; In Testimony of all which, we the abovenamed, for ourselves Heirs, Executors and persons whom we represent, have for the confirmation of this Agreement sett our hands and seals with the consent of our mother also this

29th of Novemb Anno Dom 1698 . Annoq Regni Regis Gulielmi
3^{ti} Anglia &c Decimo

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered
in presence of ;
Sam^{ll} Cheever

Eunice Maverick	(Seal)
Archibald ferguson	(Seal)
Moses Hawks	(Seal)
John Norman	}
Sarah norman	
Samuel Ward	(Seal)
elizabeth hewes	(Seal)
Tho : Jackson	(Seal)
Thomas Perkins	(Seal)

[On the back of the document.]

Essex . ss Decembr^r 5th 1698 Before y^e Hon^{ble} Jonathan
Corwin Esq^r Judge of Probate of Wills and Granting Letters
of Administracon &c. Within y^e County of Essex M^{rs} Eunice
Maverick Archibald Forgeson Mosses Hawks Sam^{ll} Ward Sarah
Norman Elizabeth Hews Thomas Jackson & Thomas Perkins
all p^rsonally appeared and acknowledged y^e wthin Written In-
stum^t to be their acts & Deed w^{ch} is allowed

Jonathan Corwin

Salem 15th September 1699 John Norman p^rsonally Ap-
peard before y^e afores^d Jonath^a Corwin & Accknowledged y^e
wthin written Instrum^t wth his hand & seal thereto to to be his
Act and deed

Attest John Higginson Reg^r

CHATHAM, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 122.)

[p. 99] [Is]ral[†] Mayo of Eastham and Marsey Rider of [Ya]rmoth
was mared at Chatham aprel : y^e 2 day [17]24[†] by Joseph
Done of Eastham Justes Peace [R]ecorded by mee Daniel Sears
town Clark

Jonathan Godfree of harwich and marsy Nickrson of Chatham was
maried at Chatham September : the 2 : 1725 by Josep Done of
Eastham Justes of Peace Per mee Daniel Sears Clark

* The number of seals attached is one less than the number of signatures,
counting John and Sarah Norman as one.

† Israel Mayo of Eastham and Mercy Rider of Yarmouth were published
13 September, 1723. [Eastham Records, Vol. "Births 1701-1781" &c., fol. 118.]

Joseph Done : iuner of Estham and Debriah Paddack of Chatham was married at Chatham September 30th 1725 by Joseph Done Justes of peace Per Daniel Sears Clark

Charles Galop and desier Eldreg both of Chatham was married november y^e 10 : 1726 by y^e reverant M^r Joseph Lord Per me Daniel Seares Clark

Joseph Howes and Priscilla Harding was mared by rev Mr Joseph Lord one february y^e 2th 1726/7 Daniel Sears Clark

Thomas Parker of falmoth and Experans nickolson of Chatham was mared at Chatham february y^e 12 = 172 $\frac{6}{7}$ by the Revrant M^r Joseph Lord = Per mee Daniel Sears Clark

bethiah Stuard the daughter of Micheal and Mary Stuard was born in September y^e 21th 1704

Patience Stuard the daughter of Micheal and Mary Stuard was born y^e 27th of August 1713

July 13th 1738 Then Jonathan Crowel of yarmoth and Anne nickerson of Chatham was mared in Chatham by Joseph Done Justes of Pees = by mee Daniel Sears Clark

augest 23th 1738 then Seth hamond of dartmouth and Elizubath Lumbard of Chatham was mared in Chatham by Joseph Done Justes of Pees = by mee daniel Sears Clark

august 23th 1738 then benimon godfree and Elizabeth hopkins ware mared in Chatham by Joseph done Justes of Pese Recor by mee Daniel Sears Clark

[p. 128] Nahamiah Done son of Thomas Jur Sarah Done was Born y^e fabwary 15th Day 1730 Rackard Made fabwary y^e 24th Day 1731/2 pr Me thomas Nackerson town Clark

[p. 171] Mary Clark the daughter of Lancelot and mary Clark was born y^e 10th of february 1729/30 it being one y^e 3 day of y^e week at 8 of y^e clock in y^e morning

elizabeth clark y^e daughter of Lancellot and mary clerk was born 1(*)th day of may in y^e year 1731 it being y^e last day of y^e week at : 1 of y^e clock in morning

Elisha nickerson y^e Son of John and Mary nickerson was born y^e seventh day of march 1706 one lords day

[p. 200] 13 (2) 1727 Sath paddack was Marreced to Marcy Nickerson a Certificate of their Lawfull publishm^t und^r y^e hand of y^e town Clark of Chatham being prouduced . Josep Lord this Reckard was Made May y^e 16 Day 1727 Pr Me Th^o Nickerson Town Clark

14 (2) 1727 Nathanel Covel was Married to kezia Tucke a certificate of their Lawfull publishm^t und^r y^e hand of y^e Town Clark of Chatham being produced Joseph Lord — this Reckard was Mad May y^e 16/1727 Pr Me Th^o Nickerson Town Clark

* Blotted. Apparently "11th."

25 (3) 1727 Samues hamiton was Marred to bethiar Stuart a Certificate of thir Lawful publishment ander y^e hand of y^e town Clark of Chatham baing produced Joseph Lord — a tru Rackard Mad In Jun y^e 28th anodomi 1727 pr Me Thom Nickson Clark Ruben Rider and Susana atkines was mared october y^e 26 . 1740 before Joseph Latrop Justes of Pease

[p. 201] Rebaker godfree Dafter of Jonathan Juner & Marcy godfree was born March y^e 6 Day anodomi 1726/7 This Reckard was Mad July y^e 7 Day anodomi 1727 Pr Me Th^o Nickerson Clark

(To be continued.)

MAJOR JOHN FREEMAN'S WILL AND INVENTORY AND THE AGREEMENT OF HIS HEIRS.*

Transcribed from the Original Records.

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

MAJOR JOHN FREEMAN died at Eastham and was buried by the side of his wife Mercy, who was the daughter of Governor Thomas Prence by his first wife Patience² Brewster (*Elder William*¹). The inscriptions on the two gravestones read as follows:

HERE LYES THE BODY OF MAJOR JOHN FREEMAN DEC^D OCTOBER Y^e 28th 1719 IN Y^e 98th YEAR OF HIS AGE

HERE LYES BURIED Y^e BODY OF MARCY FREEMAN WIFE TO MAJO^R JOHN FREEMAN AGED 80 YEARS DEC^D SEP^R Y^e 28th 1711

Major John Freeman's will was written 1 June, 1716, and a codicil was added 16 June, 1718. The will was probated 10 November, 1719, and the controversy that had arisen between the heirs was settled by an agreement signed 27 January, 1719/20.

The will and inventory are found in the Barnstable County Probate Records, Volume III, pages 527-530, and the agreement is on pages 597-599 of the same volume.

* Printed in full at the request of a liberal contributor to the Colonial Research Fund.

[MAJOR JOHN FREEMAN'S WILL.]

[p. 527] In The Name of God Amen The first Day of June In y^e Year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred and sixteen . I Major John Freeman of Eastham in The County of Barnstable In His Maj^{tis} Province of y^e Massachusetts Bay In New England — Do make and ordain This my Last Will and Testament : That is To say : Principally and first of all I Give & Recomend my soul Into The hands of God That Gave it . and my Body I Recomend To y^e Earth To be Buryed in Decent and Christian manner at The Discretion of my Executor hereafter Named : Nothing Doubting but att The Generall Resurrection I shall Receive The same again by The Allmighty Power of God — And as Touching such worldly estate Wherewith it hath pleased God To bless me In This Life I Give Demise and Dispose of The same in The following manner and form — First of all I make and ordain my Eldest son John Freeman my sole Executor of This my Last Will

1 I Give unto my son Edmond Freeman To him and his heirs for Ever . All my Land and housing Whereon he now Lives att a place Called Toneset In y^e Town of sd Eastham With all The Rights Thereunto belonging : And all my Right of meadow ground In a place Called The boat meadow with all my Right in or unto y^e flatts or sedge ground Called The Town flats with all The Rights belonging To sd farm with an Addition Thereunto belonging being Lately Laid out also a pcell of Land att Little Billingsgate : also a piece of Land at a place Called y^e Herring brook Also my share of Land at a place Called Pochey Island —

2^{le}. I Give unto my youngest son Nathaniel Freeman to him and his heirs for Ever . All That my Land and housing marsh and meadow ground Whereupon I now Live being in The Town of Eastham at a place Comonly Called Namskeakett with all The out Lands appertaining To The same

3^{le} I Give To my Grandson William Freeman The house and Land marsh or sedge ground being in y^e Township of Harwich With all The Rights Thereunto belonging to sd house and Land wherein he now Liveth To him and his heirs for Ever : Allowing to my son John Mayo Liberty To make Hay upon some part of sd farm where it will be least hurtfull to sd Freeman and most Convenient for sd Mayo To Cart it off

4^{le}. as To my psonall Estate to say Goods Chattels and money sheepe and swine The one half of my Cattle sheep and swine hors I Give To my son Nathaniel Freeman and The other

acres of Land where is Convenient to plant During his Life and I Give him a hoe and an ax and some small Things in The kitchen and hay Ground To keep a Cow and Room to Live in part of my old house and wood for firing and fensing and Convenient bedding To which I sett my hand To This Day June 16th 1718

Witness Joseph Higgins
Patience Burge her marke

John Freeman

Eastham November The Tenth 1719 Before John Otis Esq^r Judge of y^e Probate of Wills for Granting Letters of Administration on y^e Estates of Persons Deceased having goods Chattels Rights or Credits in The County of Barnstable Isaac Pepper Patience Burge and Jeremiah Smith Whose hands are sett to This Within written Will as Witnesses made Oath that they Did see Major John Freeman Late of Eastham now Deceased sign and seal The sd Will or Instrument and heard him Declare or own it To be his Last Will and Testament and That They Did suppose him To be of sound and Disposing minde and memory When he so Did in y^r best Apprehensions and That They Sett y^r hands Thereto as Witnesses in his presence The Said Isaac Pepper further adds That he Did Read over The sd Will To y^e said John Freeman before he Signed and Sealed it and upon his hearing of it he did approve it. And sd Patience Burge also Adds That she heard sd Pepper Read sd Will To sd Freeman (as she Took it to be) before she sett her hand to it as Witness

Attest W^m Bassett Reg^{tr}

[p. 529] Eastham The Tenth Day of November 1719 : Then Joseph Higgins Whose hand is sett To The Codicil or Addition To The Within Written Will Personally appearing before The above named John Otis Esq^r Judge of The Probate of Wills &c made oath That he wrote The Sd Codicil or Addition To The Within Written Will at The Request of Major John Freeman Late of Eastham Decea^{sd} and That The sd Freeman Did Dictate To him or Directed him what he should write : and That he saw The sd Freeman sign The same and That he sd Higgin Sett his hand Thereto in presence of sd Freeman as a Witness ; and That he Did suppose him To be of Disposing minde and memory When he so Did . Patience Burge whose name or hand is also sett to y^e Same Codicil or Addition To sd Will Appeared before The sd Judge at The same Time and made Oath That she Did hear sd Major Freeman own That

which is written at The Bottoom of his Will to be part of his Will and That he Desired her to sett her hand Thereto as a Witness which she saith she Did in his presence : and That she Did suppose him Then To be of Disposing minde and memory
Attest W^m Bassett Reg^{tr}

John Otis Esq^r Comissionated by his Excel^{cy} The Govrnour and Councill of y^e Province of the Massachusetts Bay to be Judge of The Probate of Wills & for granting Letters of Administration on The Estates of Persons Deceased, having Goods Chattels Rights or Credits In The County of Barnstable Within The Province aforesd.

To All unto Whom These presents shall Come Greeting Know y^e That upon y^e Day of The Date hereof before me at Eastham In The County aforesd . The Will of Maj^{or} John Freeman Late of Eastham In sd County now Deceased To these presents Annexed was proved approved and allowed : who having while he Lived and at The Time of his Death Goods Chattels Rights or Credits in y^e County aforesd : and the probate of The sd Will and power of Comitting Administration of all & singular y^e Goods Chattels Rights and Credits of y^e sd Deceased by virtue Thereof appertaining unto me . The Administration of all and singular The Goods Chattels Rights and Credits of y^e sd Deceased and his Will in any manner Concerning Is hereby Comitted unto John Freeman Eldest son of sd Deceased Executor In y^e same will named well and faithfully to Excute The sd Will and To Administer The Estate of y^e sd Deceased according Thereunto : and to make a True and perfect Inventory of all and singular The Goods Chattels Rights & Credits of The sd Deceased : and To Exhibit The same Into y^e Registry of The Court of Probate for for The County aforesd at or before The Last Day of January next Ensuing : and also To Render a plain and True accompt of his sd Administration upon Oath when Called Thereto—In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and y^e seal of The sd Court of Probate . Dated at Eastham the Tenth Day of November Anno Domini 1719.

W^m Bassett Reg^{tr}

John Otis

Eastham 10th of Novem^{br} 1719 M^{rs} Mercy Knowles m^{rs} Patience Paine and m^{rs} Hannah Mayo all Daughters of Maj^{or} John Freeman Late of Eastham Decea^d after Probate of Their Fathers Will Desired That a Caviat might be Entred against y^e Probate of it

pr me W^m Bassett Reg^{tr}

[p. 530] An Inventory of The Goods and Chattels Lands & Tenaments of Major John Freeman of Eastham in y^e County of Barnstable Esq^r Deceased Taken by us The subscribers Appraisers Thereof : November 19th 1719

	£	s	d
Imp ^r To 161 . pounds Weight and Ten Ounces Averdupoise In silver money and Plate			
Itm To Bills of Credit	12	16	00
Itm To Wearing Clothes Wollen and Lining with some wool Cloth and black saloon * In a plain Chist with y ^e Chist all at	15	02	00
Itm To sheets Table Clothes pillowbears Napkins with Two Remnants of Cotten and linen Cloth In a Winscot Chist with the Chist all at	04	16	08
Itm To The Great best Chest	01	10	00
Itm To a Great Cubbord	01	05	00
Itm To a Great Table and Two Joynt stools	01	10	00
Itm To The bedsted beds and furniture Therto belonging in y ^e Lower room all but The sheets and pillow-ber	11	05	00
Itm To Chares Cushings and hatts	01	05	00
Itm To Trundle bedsted bed and bedding Thereto belonging in y ^e Chamber : Except y ^e sheets :	07	04	00
Itm To old Chests Cask 1 pound Cotton wool in y ^e Chamber & old settle	00	05	00
Itm To The Negros bedsted bed and bedding in y ^e Chamber	08	00	00
Itm To four Oxen	22	05	00
Itm To Ten Cows and other Cattle	65	06	00
Itm To Bookes	02	10	00
Itm To Swine	03	00	00
Itm To Twenty five sheep	08	05	00
Itm To a pare of old Andirons part of 2 old Guns and old sword all	02	00	00
Itm To a pare of Iron Dogs	00	15	00
Itm To a pare old stiliards Iron pots and household Iron Things skillet old ax and hoe	04	03	06
Itm To warming pan Two old Iron standards brass Kittles Copper furnice skimer and Dripping pan	05	05	06
Itm To household puter Lanthorn spicemorter Tin tunnill Earthen ware and Candlestick all	03	03	06
Itm To milk keelers Trays and pails Lead weight Churn sinning wheels Cheese press butter Tubbs ponding Tubb beer barrils and sifting Trough	01	01	00
Debts Due To The Estate	16	19	00
It To The Tenament Lands & meadows Given by Will To Nath ^l Freeman Esq ^r according To The account to us Given valued att	1000	00	00

* Galoon ?

It To The Lands & meadows by Will Given To William Freeman accompt To us Given valued att	150 00 00
It To Twenty pound sheeps wool	01 05 0
It To about 10 pound flax in sheaf	00 05 0
It some Grain and sone hay Raized The Last year on y ^e farm y ^e value not yet known	
It a Debt Due to y ^e Estate	00 05 0
It an old saw half bushel and Chain and some few small odd Things att	00 06 00

Joseph Doane.
John Sparrow.

December y^e 15th 1719. Then m^r John Freeman Executor To The Last Will and Testament of maj^{or} John Freeman Late of Eastham now Deceas^d and Nath^l Freeman Esq^r The other son of said Deces^{ed} Before John Otis Esq^r Judge of Probates &c. for Sd County of Barnstable : made Oath y^t y^e within written is a True Inventory of y^e Estate of sd John Freeman their Deceased Father so far as they know and That if any Thing Else That is material shall yet further Come to y^r knowledge they will also bring it to This Inventory

Attest W^m Bassett Reg^{tr}

[THE AGREEMENT OF THE HEIRS.]

[p. 597] Know all men by These presents That Whereas There is and hath Been some uneasyness and Dissatisfaction among the Children and Heirs of maj^{or} John Freeman Late of Eastham : with Refferance to y^e Disposition of his Estate : by his Last Will and Testament. To the Intent Therefore That there may be a peacable & Quiet Settlement of all matters and Things Relating to the sd Will and Estate we the Subscribers Do mutually and unanimously agree for our Selves and Heirs & Executors In manner and form as followeth : viz : Imp^{rs} That all The Goods Chattels or psonall Estate Contained in y^e Inventory Taken of the Estate of the Sd Maj^{or} John Freeman (Except that part of y^e Quick Stock which by Sd Will is Given to his Son Nathaniel Freeman : & Except That part which is Given to Rebecca the Widow & Relict of Thomas Freeman Late of Harwich Deceased) shall be Divided & Delivered to y^e four Daughters [p. 598] Daughters of The Sd Testator and Their Legall Representatives : That is To Say : one Equall Share To Mercy y^e Wife of Sam^l Knowles : one Equall part To Patience The widow and Relict of Samuel Paine Deceased :

one Equall Part To Hannah The Wife of John Mayo : and one Equal part To John Paine To be Disposed of To his Children which he now hath according to the Direction of Sd Will : as also any other psonall Estate not Contained in sd Inventory which Doth or may Justly and Legally appear to be y^e Estate or part of the Estate of The sd Deceased Maj^{or} John John Freeman : (Excepting Silver money and plate) To be Divided to the psons above named and In manner as abovesd : onely The wearing apparill of y^e sd Major Freeman are Excepted from The Division abovesd and Reserved to be for The use and at The Disposition of the sons or male Heirs of y^e abovesaid Testator : and The abovesd Daughters to have no part of Them. And further we agree That Each and Every of the sons of the sd Maj^{or} John Freeman Deceased shall have hold and Enjoy all The Lands and Real Estate which was given granted or bequeathed Either by Deed or by his Last Will or otherwise By The sd Maj^{or} John Freeman To them Their heirs & assigns for Ever without any molestation from us our Heirs Executors or Adminest^{rs}.

2ly : We mutually and unanimously agree That all the Silver money & Plate which Remains of the Estate of of the Sd Deceased maj^{or} John Freeman (after all Just Debts Legacies and funerall Charges are paid) Shall be Divided and paid In manner as followeth : viz : To John Freeman (the Eldest son of The Sd Testator) one Shear and half : To Nathaniel Freeman one Equal Share : To such as properly and Legally Represent his son Edmond Freeman Deceased one Equal share : To Mercy The wife of Samuel Knowles one Equall share : To Patience the Widow and Relict of Samuel Paine Deceas^{ed} one Equall share : To John Paine one Equall share to be Disposed of to his Children which he now hath according to Direction of Sd Will : To Hannah the wife of John Mayo one Equal Share : To Rebecca the Widow & Relict of Thomas Freeman Deceased half a Share : onely it is To be understood and it hereby so Intended That The Sd Rebecca Freeman is To have her half share of The money and Plate abovesd Paid to her as it is orded in and by The Will of The sd Maj^{or} John Freeman : and We the above named psons and wee The Subscribers Do hereby promise and oblige ourselves (upon Receipt of our Respective Shares as above Spesified) To Give Receipts and acquitances In proper form To Discharge the Executor . and In Confirmation of all [p. 599] All and Singular the premisses We have hereunto Sett our Hands & Seals the Twenty Seventh Day of January In the Sixth year of the Reign of our Sovereign

Lord George by the Grace of God King of Great Britain Anno
Domini 1719/20

Isaac Freeman	(Seal)	John Freeman	(Seal)
Thomas Grose	(Seal)	Natha ^l Freeman	(Seal)
Israel Doane	(Seal)	Samuel Knowles	(Seal)
Benjami Higgins	(Seal)	Mercy Knowles	(Seal)
Samuel Hinckley	(Seal)	John Mayo	(Seal)
Ebenezer Freeman	(Seal)	Hannah Mayo	(Seal)
Jonathan Snow	(Seal)	her marke	(Seal)
Thomas Cobb	(Seal)	^{marke} Patience Paine	(Seal)
Isaac Pepper	(Seal)	John Paine ^{her}	(Seal)
Daniel Cole	(Seal)	^{marke} Sarah Freeman	(Seal)
		her	

Signed Sealed & Delivrd

In presence of :

Jonathan Higgins

Samuel Knowles Ju^r

Barnstable Ss : On the Day and year above written : The
sd John Freeman : Nathan^l Freema Samuel Knowles Mercy
Knowles : John Mayo : Hannah Mayo : Patience Paine : John
Paine Sarah Freeman Isaac Freeman : Tho^s Grose Israel Doane :
Benjamin Higgins : Samuel Hinckley Ebenezer Freeman : Jona^t
Snow : Thomas Cobb : Isaac Pepper & Daniel Cole : as At-
torney To Christian Remack All psonally appeared before me
the subscriber Judge of Probate for The County of Barnstable
afordsd : and acknowledged the above written agreement to be
Their act and Deed.

John Otis

HALIFAX, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 109.)

[p. 271] 1797 October 9th Timothy Tomson of Halifax and Susanna
Cushing of Plympton were Joined in Marriage by the Rev^d
Ephraim Briggs

1797 November 2nd Doctor Isaac Bartlett and Mercy Bryant Both
of Plympton were Joined in marriage by the Rev^d Ephraim
Briggs

1798 January 21st Peleg Holmes of Plympton and Eunice Woods of
Halifax were Joined in marriage by the Rev^d Ephraim Briggs

1798 January 28th Daniel Cummings of Gray and County of Cumberland and Hannah Briggs of Halifax were Joined in marriage by the Rev^d Eph^m Briggs

[p. 274] The Children of the Rev^d Ephraim Briggs & Rebekah his wife

Ephraim Briggs their son born Fryday 11 °Clock P.M March 3rd 1769

William Briggs their son born Tuesday 1 °Clock A.M February 19th 1771

Rebekah Briggs their daughter born Fryday 11 °Clock P.M February 19th 1773

Isaac Briggs their son born Fryday 12 °Clock noon May 26th 1775

Thomas Briggs their son born Monday 6 °Clock A.M January 12th 1778

Robert Waterman Briggs their son born Monday 6 °Clock P.M September 25th 1779

Richard Briggs their son born Fryday 11 °Clock P.M. March 2nd 1782

Martha Briggs their daughter born Monday 4 °Clock A.M April 12th 1784.

Polley Briggs their daughter born Saturday 5 °Clock A M February 17th, 1786

Salley Briggs their daughter born Fryday 3 °Clock P.M January 25th, 1788

Charles Briggs their son born Monday 1 °Clock P.M January 17th 1791

John Kingsbury Briggs their son born Fryday 9 °Clock P M. December 9th, 1794

Abial White son of Joel White and Margaret his wife Was born October 13th 1787

The Children of Moses Waterman and Sarah wife

Nancy Waterman their daughter was born July 18th 1796

The Children of Ebenezer Wood and Cynthia his wife

Olive Soule Wood their daughter was born March : 6th 1796

Cynthia Wood their daughter was born October 11th 1798

Ebenezer Wood their son was born May 24th 1801

Mary Hudson Wood their daughter was born January 17th 1804

Silence Wood their daughter was born March 15th 1807

Asaph Soule Wood their son was born June 30th 1810

[p. 275] The Children of Ephraim Tilson Jun^r and Fear his wife Betsey Tilson their daughter was born July 13th 1783

(To be continued.)

PLYMOUTH COLONY WILLS AND INVENTORIES.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 171.)

[JOHN ATWOOD'S WILL AND INVENTORY.]

[fol. 46] The last Will and Testament of m^r John Atwood deceased exhibited to the Court the vth June 1644 in the xxth yeare of the now raigne of o^r Sov^aigne Lord Charles King of England &c . & proved according to order.

Know all men to whome these p^rnts shall come That I John Atwood of New Plymouth gent this twentieth of October 1643 being weake through many Infirmyties and Diseases in body but in p^rfect memorye Do make and ordaine this to be my last will and testament to continue for ever firme and invyolable ffor my breethren God hath blessed them that they be aswell to give to me as I to them and for their children they be many I do here give and bequeath them greate and smale yeong and old male and female which were borne before the date of these p^rsents twelve pence a peece if demaunded And for my little kinsman William Crowe and my brother and sister Lee and their two children Ann and Mary I leave them to the will of my wyfe to deale wth them as shall seeme good to her and I do therefore ordaine my loveing wyfe Anne Atwood to be my full and sole Executrix to whome I will and bequeath all the rest of my estate my debts being first payd and shee paying my debts and legacies before menconed I do then by these p^rnts ratifye and confirme her my lawfull full and sole Executrix and soe do deliver and bequeath to her all my lands houses either for cattell Corne or for any other use or imployment wth all goods houshold stuffe plate and ready moneys whatsoever I have or shall have in new England at my decease And all those debts which be due to me in old England and Verginia I give them all to my loveing wyfe and do confirme her my sole and lawfull Executrix the day and yeare above written Witnesse my hand and Seall the xxth of October 1643

Read sealed and published
in the p^rsence of

pr mee Jn^o Atwood

William Bradford }
Robert Hicks }

(his
seale)

and testyfyed by them in open Court aforesd

A true Inventory of all the goods chattells & cattells of m^r John Atwood lately Deceased taken & apprised by m^r Robte Hicks m^r Willm Paddy Thomas Southwood and Nathaniell Sowther the xxviith Day of ffebruary Anno Dni 1643.

	In the Hall	£	s	d
Inpris one Table		00	10	00
It 3 leather chaires and 3 smaler leather chaires		01	10	00
It 2 flagg bottome chaires & one frame for a chaire		00	06	00
It a chest of Drawers		02	10	00
It a bedstead with a tester		01	06	08
It 5 curtaines & vallence		01	03	04
It 1 greene rugg		01	10	00
It 1 cradle rugg		00	06	00
It 1 paire of blankettes		01	00	00
It 1 feather bed & tick & boulster		03	10	00
It ii feather pillowes		00	07	00
It 1 houseclock		03	00	00
It a corslett & a pike		01	15	00
It 1 old peece & a pistoll		00	13	04
It 1 bowe & arrowes & quiver & case		00	05	00
It 1 little vice		00	01	06
It 1 head peece & a buffe coate		01	03	04
It vi cusheons of three sorts		00	14	00
It 1 carpett		00	06	08
It 3 pictures		00	01	06
It 2 brushes		00	01	00
It 1 paire of sheets		01	00	00
It 2 paire of sheets at 10 ^s pr paire		01	00	00
It 3 paire of sheets at 13sh 4 ^d		02	00	00
It 1 duzen of table napkins		00	09	00
It ½ duzen of table napkins		00	04	00
It 5 fine table napkins		00	06	08
It 1 duzen of Diapr napkins 1 cupbord cloth & a short table cloth		01	04	00
It 1 bordered cupbord cloth		00	06	00
It 3 cupboard cloths at 2sh 4		00	07	00
It 2 short table cloths		00	10	00
It 2 long ^r table clothes		01	00	00
It 4 paire of pillow beers		00	10	00
It 2 paire of sheets at 12 ^s		01	04	00
It 6 paire of course old sheets at 5 ^s		01	10	00
It 6 course hand towells at 6 ^d		00	03	00
It 4 finer hand towells at 9 ^d		00	03	00
It 3 short table cloths at 3 ^s		00	09	00
It 4 course table napkins at 3 ^d		00	01	00
		00	00	00
[fol. 47] It 1 large table salt with a trenchersalt & a cov ^r of silver		05	00	00
It 1 silver boule and a wine boule		03	00	00
It ½ duzen of silver spoones at 5 ^s		01	10	00
It 2 paire of tongs & 3 fire pans		00	03	04
It 2 paire of racks & 2 hookes		00	05	00

It 1 paire of old bellowes	00 . 00 . 04
It 1 next * of boxes	00 . 03 . 04
	<u>44 . 09 . 00</u>

In the study

It the acts and monuments in 3 volumes	02 . 10 . 00
It Calvine upon Deutronomie	00 . 08 . 00
It history of the church	00 . 08 . 00
It Harts Dyett of the Diseased	00 . 05 . 00
It Calvine on Tymothy & Titus	00 . 06 . 08
It Rogers seaven Treatises	00 . 06 . 00
It Dounams warfar 2 pt	00 . 04 . 00
It ii french bibles	00 . 13 . 00
It Brightman on the Revelacon	00 . 06 . 08
It Prins Historie Muscick	00 . 04 . 00
It for Divers other bookes	03 . 04 . 00
It 3 paire of sheares	00 . 02 . 00
It a paire of gold scales & waights a tinderbox } & burneing glasse & other trifflis }	00 . 02 . 00
It 1 concordance	00 . 10 . 00
	<u>09 . 09 . 04</u>

His apparell.

It 1 gowne lined & faced w th furr	03 . 00 . 00
It 1 shuite of stuffe	01 . 10 . 00
It 2 cloth cloakes	04 . 00 . 00
It 1 stuff cloake	01 . 00 . 00
It 1 black gregorm shuite	01 . 10 . 00
It 1 black pincked Dublet	00 . 10 . 00
It 2 gerdles & a paire of gloves	00 . 10 . 00
It 2 hatts	01 . 00 . 00
It other weareing apparell	02 . 15 . 00
	<u>15 . 15 . 00</u>

In the Garret.

It 1 paire of Andirons	02 . 00 . 00
It 1 other paire of Andirons	02 . 10 . 00
It 1 smale paire	00 . 05 . 00
It 1 still	01 . 10 . 00
It 1 iron beame	00 . 05 . 00
It an iron for a grindle stone	00 . 02 . 06
It a pcell of woll in a bag	00 . 06 . 00
It a tennant same	00 . 03 . 00
It pillion	00 . 02 . 00
It mackerell lines	00 . 01 . 00
	<u>07 . 04 . 06</u>

In the staire Chamber

It 1 half headed bedstead and cord	00 . 05 . 00
It 1 old red rugg	00 . 15 . 00

* Sic.

It 3 old blanketts & an old white rugg	01 . 00 . 00
It a peece of a rugg mantle	00 . 02 . 00
It a canvas flock bedd	00 . 10 . 00
It pillow & a smale bolster	00 . 04 . 00
It 1 carpett & a cupbord cloth	00 . 16 . 00
It a chest & a case	00 . 05 . 00
It 4 candlesticks	00 . 01 . 00
It gerdles & hangers	00 . 05 . 00
It 2 paire of mittens	00 . 02 . 00
It a pcell of wollen yarne	00 . 06 . 00
It 1 duzzen trenchers	00 . 00 . 06
It beere and wine glasses	00 . 03 . 00
It an alleblaster mortar	00 . 02 . 00
It 6 blew earthen Dishes	00 . 03 . 00
It scales & waights	00 . 02 . 06
It an old cloak bagg	00 . 01 . 00
It 2 paire of candlesticks	00 . 13 . 04
It a tinn dreping pan a stew pan and a breadcup all	00 . 03 . 00
It 1 Duzzen of sawcers	00 . 03 . 06
It 4 smale plates	00 . 02 . 00
It 1 band pewter pott	00 . 04 . 00
It 2 sawce pans	00 . 01 . 08
It 1 hand candle stick	00 . 01 . 00
It 1 walle candle stick	00 . 01 . 06
It 1 bason & ewre	00 . 08 . 00
It a cabinett	00 . 01 . 00
It 5 chaire frames at 2 ^s 6	00 . 12 . 06
It 1 old trunck	00 . 01 . 06
It ii old tubbs	00 . 01 . 00
	<u>07 . 17 . 00</u>

In the Kitchen

It little bras potts	00 . 13 . 04
It 1 bras possnet	00 . 06 . 00
It 2 bras kettles & a little one	00 . 10 . 00
It a bras stew pan w th the iron & a chaffing dish	00 . 08 . 00
It 4 bras candlesticks a lampe & a ladle	00 . 08 . 03
It on old warmeing pan 18 ^d & an iron posnet 3 ^s	00 . 04 . 06
It 2 chamber potts	00 . 04 . 00
It 5 ^{li} of pewter dishes at 14 ^d	03 . 00 . 04
It 6 porringers at 8 ^d a custerd pan . 16 ^d	00 . 05 . 04
It 4 saucers & a bason	00 . 03 . 00
It 2 quart potts 3 pint potts ½ a pynt & a gill	00 . 10 . 00
It for lattine dreeping pans & other tinn things	00 . 03 . 00
It a jack & 3 spitts	00 . 13 . 04
It iron potts & 3 paire of pott hookes	00 . 15 . 00
It a cõpper for a furnice	01 . 00 . 00
It an iron peale 18 ^d & a forme & a stoole 12 ^d	00 . 02 . 06
	<u>09 . 07 . 00</u>

[fol. 48]	In the milk house.	
It for earthen ware		00 . 04 . 00
It 1 Duz & half of trenchers		00 . 00 . 09
It for 4 boules & wooden ware		00 . 02 . 00
It a paire of racks		00 . 06 . 08
It 2 frying pans		00 . 02 . 06
It 3 iron candlesticks		00 . 01 . 00
It 2 coules a tree & a bole		00 . 06 . 00
It 2 leaden pans		00 . 04 . 00
		<u>01 . 06 . 11</u>

In the Seller

It 1 hand Mille		00 . 06 . 08
It a kneading trough & other lumber in the seller		00 . 10 . 00
It 3 cases of bottells & other lumber in the inner seller		00 . 10 . 00
It an old spade & an axe		00 . 01 . 06
It 3 ladders		00 . 05 . 00
		<u>01 . 13 . 02</u>
It 4 grosse $\frac{1}{2}$ of buttons at 12 ^d		00 . 04 . 06
It 1 pewter standish		00 . 01 . 06
It 1 broken peece at w ^m Bassetts		00 . 06 . 08
It 4 sherts a 4 ^s a peec		00 . 16 . 00
		<u>01 . 08 . 08</u>

At playne Dealeing.

It a muskett bandeliers sword & rest		02 . 06 . 08
It 23 ewe sheepe at 30 ^s		34 . 10 . 00
It 2 yoak of oxen . 13 [℥] & 15 [℥]		28 . 00 . 00
It 1 cowe		04 . 10 . 00
It 6 swine shoates at 6 ^s 3		02 . 00 . 00
It 2 greater swine at 20 ^s		02 . 00 . 00
It 1 horse coller . & 2 paire of holmes & tuggs and a cart saddle & bridle	}	00 . 10 . 00
It a horse pannell		00 . 02 . 00
It a forehalter & a paire of traseys		00 . 02 . 00
It an old cartrope		00 . 02 . 00
It 1 weane & iron bound wheelles old		04 . 00 . 00
It 1 plough coulter & share		00 . 10 . 00
It 2 yokes & 2 cheanes broken & whole		00 . 15 . 00
It 24 harrow tines		00 . 06 . 08
It 1 mare		08 . 00 . 00
It a dong fork a shovell & a broken forke		00 . 01 . 06
It 2 old sythes		00 . 01 . 00
It a ladder 3 ^s & a grindle stone 4 ^s		00 . 07 . 00
		<u>88 . 03 . 10</u>

Sum totall 186[℥] . 14^s . 00^d

And debts 029 . 11 . 00.

A houses and land at Playne Dealeing w^{ch} we beleeve doth stand in 162[£] and a house & land at the Towne w^{ch} we beleeve also stood 150[£] but what they are now worthe we cannot estimate

Debts in the booke

Thurstone Clarke	00 . 05 . 09
Widdow wallen	01 . 05 . 00
M ^r Allerton	14 . 17 . 08
John Derby	00 . 03 . 00
Goodman Gyles of Salem rest	00 . 12 . 00
M ^r John Holmes	00 . 14 . 06
Willm Hoskine	00 : 19 . 01
Mathew fuller	00 : 02 . 00
John Bundy	00 . 02 . 06
Nathaniell Sowther	01 . 01 . 00
Robte Waterman	02 . 10 . 06
& 2 lines & a leade & a bushell of Corne	
Goodman Arnold	03 . 00 . 00
Goodman Bassett	00 . 17 . 00
Robte Barker	00 . 15 . 00
Nehemiah Smyth	00 . 06 . 08
m ^r Thom Burne	00 . 13 . 08
Moyse Symons rest	00 . 01 . 03
Kenelme Winslowe	00 . 04 . 10
The Church of Duxborrow	00 . 06 . 07
M ^r Groomes	00 . 06 . 10
Richard Sparrow	00 . 03 . 00
M ^r Prence	00 . 03 . 06
& an adds & a wedge	
more Desparat Debts	
George Cleare	00 . 12 . 00
Henry Thannett	01 . 00 . 00
Rouland Leyhorne	00 . 01 . 10
James Luxford	06 . 04 . 07

There are more Debts oweing to the testator in old England but m^r Sherley writes that there is no hope of getting them.

[fol. 49]	Debts oweing by the Testator	
Inpris to m ^r Seavell als Showell		58 . 10 . 06
It To Humfrey Turner		00 . 10 . 00
It To Robte Paddock		01 . 00 . 00
It To Thomas Pope		00 . 06 . 08
It To m ^r James Shurley		21 . 00 . 00
It To m ^r Starr		05 . 00 . 00
It To Arthur Howland		00 . 07 . 00
It to the Apothecary		00 . 05 . 00
It funerall charges		01 . 05 . 00
It prbate of the will & Inventory &c		00 . 06 . 08

It to Georg Pidcock	00 . 10 . 00
It for contribucon to the Church	02 . 10 . 00
	<u>91 . 10 . 10</u>
Robte Hicks	
Willm Paddy	
Nathaniel Sowther	
Thom Southworth	

The goods in the bed chamber were allowed to m^{rs} Atwood the Executrix by the Court and are these.

It 1 bedstead and Tester	01 . 06 . 00
It curtaine & vallence fringed	01 . 15 . 00
It 1 greene Rugg	01 . 00 . 00
It 1 paire of blanketts	00 . 13 . 04
It 1 feather bed & boulster	02 . 10 . 00
It 2 pillowes	00 . 05 . 00
It 1 chaire & 3 cov'ed stooles	01 . 03 . 04
It 2 needle work window cusheons	01 . 00 . 00
It 2 kersy cupbord cloths	00 . 13 . 04
It 1 greene carpett cloth	02 . 05 . 00
It a large chest	00 . 12 . 00
It 1 large boxe	00 . 02 . 00
It 1 close stoole	00 . 05 . 00
	<u>13 . 04 . 00</u>

The goods are exempted out of the Inventory to m^{rs} Atwoods owne prpr use by the Court.

The totall of the goods is	186 . 14 . 00
more in Debts	029 . 11 . 00
the totall	216 . 05 . 00
Debts are	091 . 10 . 10
The rest is	124 . 14 . 02
The estate is debts being deducted	124 ^d . 14 ^s . 02 ^d

(To be continued.)

YARMOUTH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 28.)

- [p. 18] yarmouth A regester of the names and Beirths of [*worn*]
 John and Heester Rider as ffolloweth
 John Rider the son of John and Hees[ter Rider was] Boorn upon
 the : 28th : day of may : 1692 :
 Samuell Rider the son of the above sa[id John and] Heester Rider
 was Boorn in febura[r]y 169[*worn*]

Beathiah Rider the daughter of said John [and] Heester Rider was boorn in may : 1697

Hester Rider was borne in aprell 1699 :

Marcy Rider was borne in Jun 1701

Zurviah Rider was borne in aprell 1703 :

Nathanall Rider was borne in Jun 1705

thankfull Rider : the daughter of the abovesaid John and Ester Rider she was borne the first day of aprill in the yeare : 1709 :

John : & Hester Rider had a daughter bourn in Aprell : 1694 : Bo[*worn*] and the said child did dey sudingly after it wa[s] borne recorded by me John miller clarke

mary hall the daughter of dacon Joseph and Mary hall, she was born on the 30th : day of march in the year of our lord : 1712 :

Peter halle son of the above named Joseph & Mary hall h[e] was born on the ninteenth day of May in the year : 1715 :

John hall : The son of the above named Joseph and mary hall he was born on the 30 day of January in the year of our lord : 1719

barshua hall daughter of y^e above s^d Joseph & mary ha[ll] was born the : 5 : day of July in y^e year = 1719

[p. 19] [y]armouth : June : 26 : 1695 : then this Recorded : said Date

[A] Regester of the names and Bierthes of the children [of] Joseph and Sarah gorham as followeth :

Sarah gorham the daughtuer of said Joseph and Sarah gorham borne upon the : 16th : daye of Jenuary : 1678

Joseph : gorham the son of the said Joseph and Sara[h] gorham : was borne upon the : 15th : day of Aprell : 1681 :

Samuell : gorham the son of the said Joseph and Sarah gorham : was Borne in the munth of october 1682

John : gorham the son of said Joseph and Sarah gorham borne : upon : 28th : day of february 1683 : 84

desier : gorham daughtur of the said Joseph & Sarah gorham borne upon Aprell in the year 1685

Isaac : gorham son of said Joseph & Sarah : gorham was borne upon the munth of october : : 1687 :

Hesakiah : gorham the son of the above said Joseph & Sarah gorham was borne in August : 1689 :

Josiah : gorham the son said Joseph & Sarah : gorham borne : the second day desember : 1692 :

Recorded the date above said per John Miller : T : C :

Thankfull Sears the daughter of Richard and hoop Sears of yarmouth She was born one the : 18 day of march in the yeare of our lord : 1706 :

[p. 20] yarmouth A : regester of the names and Bearths of the Children of John and priscilla : paddock as followeth : &c

- John : paddock the son of the above said John and prisci[lla] was Borne upon the twenty fourth day of June : 1695 :
- The above said John and priscilla paddock had a son borne upon the first of february : 1696 [*worn*] and the said son died upon the third day of february in y^e year : 1696 : 7 :
- Elezebeth : paddock the daughtur of John and priscilla paddock was borne upon the foretenth day of Aprell in the year : 1698 :
- Joseph : paddock the Son of John and priscilla paddock was Borne upon y^e : 8th : day of march : 1700 :
- priscilla paddock the daughtur of y^e said John and priscilla paddock was Born upon y^e : 31th : day of January 1701 : ²
- Ebenezer : paddock the Son of John and prescillah paddock was Borne upon y^e : 18th : day of march : 1703 : 4 :
- the above Said John paddock and his wife priscilla had a child borne the 25th day of feburye : 1705 * wich child departed this life the Sixth day of march foloing :
- Thankfull paddok was born on the 26 day of June in the year : 1710
- Josiah Paddock the son of the above sd John and presila Paddock he was borne on the 9th day of apreill in the yeare of our lord : 1712
- Sarah Eldredg the daughter of Samuell & Mary Eldredg Juner was borne 8 day of november in the year 1704 :
- [p. 21] [ya]r[mouth] A regester of the names and Bearths of the Children of Joseph and Mehetabell : Crosbey : as ffolloweth &c
- Theophilus : Crosbey the son of the above said Joseph and mehetabell Crosbey : was borne upon the last daye of december : 1693 :
- Joseph Crosbey : the Son of the said Joseph and Mehetabell was borne upon the twentieth day of June : 1695 :
- mehetabell Crosbey : the daughtur of the above Said Joseph and mehetabell Crosbey was Borne upon the twentieth day of march : 1696 : 97 :
- Ann : Crosbey, the daughtur of Joseph and Mehetabell Crosbey was Borne upon the Sixtenth day of Jun : 1699
- Sarah : Crosbey the daughtur of Joseph and mehetable crosbey : and ther daughtur margreat crosbey wear bouth Borne upon y^e fourth day of february : 170₁² :
- Lidea crosbey, y^e daughter of Joseph and mehetaell : crosbey was Borne upon y^e 14th day of July 1704
- Josiah Crosbey Son of the above Said Joseph and Mehetabell Crosbey he was borne the 15th day of July in the yeare : 1706.
- William Crosey the son of the abovesd Joseph and Mehitable Crosbey he was Born in Yarmouth on the 12th day of March in the yeare 170₃⁹
- hanah Crasbe : the daughter of Joseph & Mehitable Crasbe : she was born on the thirteenth day of March in the year of our lord : 1711/12

* The "5" appears to have been written over a "6."

Barnabas Crosby he was born on the ninth day of may in the year
of our lord one thousand seven hundred and fifteen
Susanah Rider the daughter of John and Pashance Rider she was
born one 2nd day of apriel in the year of our Lord : 1709 :
Paticanc Rider the daughter John & patica[*worn*] she was borne in
the begining of august : 1711
John Rider he was born on the fourth day of april in the year of our
lord 1714
darcus Rider she was born on ye 30th : day of October in ye year :
1716 :
daniel Rider he was born on the 26th : day of april in ye year : 1719 :

[p. 22] Yarmouth : maye : 30th : 1696 : A Regester of the names and
bearties of the Children of Josep[h] and mary Hawes : as ffol-
loweth &c

Sarah : Hawes the daughtur of said Joseph and mary above Said
was bourn upon the fierst day of Aprell : 1696 : recorded by
me : John : mille[r]

Elizabeth : Hawes the daughtuer of Joseph and mary Hawes was
Born upon ye : Sixth day of novmber in the year : 1697

Edmund : Hawes the son of Joseph and Mary : Hawes was Borne
upon the thertenth day of June in the year 1699 :

Thomas : Hawes ye son of ye above said Joseph and mary : Hawes
was Borne upon ye : 16th : day of may : 1701

Joseph : Hawes was Borne upon ye : 12 : day of January : 1702 : 3 :

mary : Hawes : ye daughter of ye above Said Joseph & mary Hawes
was Borne upon ye : 23 : day of march 1703 : 4 :

Tempranc hawes daughter of the above sd Joseph and mary hawes
was borne the last day of desember in the yeare : 1705 :

david Hawes : the son of the above said Joseph and Mary hawes :
he was borne on the tenth day of october in the yeare of our
lord : 1707

Princ hawes : the son of Joseph and Mary he was borne on the
29th day of december in the yeare of our lord one thousand
seven hundred and nine

Thankfull hawes she was born one the 16th day of apraill in the
year : 1712

William Tobe and Elisabeth Robins Both of yarmouth Design mar-
riage Entred Janury ye 9 1756 Thomas Toby Jr town Clerk

Porge totoo and Thankfull addames Both of yarmouth Designe mar-
riage Entred Janry ye 15 1756 Tho^s Toby Jr town Clrk

[p. 23] Yarmouth A Regester of ye names and Beirths of the Chil-
dren of Edward and melitiah graye as &c

presileah : gray the daughtuer of the above said Edward & melatiah
was borne upon the : 18th : day of october : 1686 :

gidion : gray the son of the above said Edward & melatiah was borne
upon the : 6th : daye of september : 1688 :

John graye the son of y^e above said Edward & melatiah gray : was borne upon y^e : 26th : day of July : 1691 :

melatiah : gray the daughtuer of the above said Edward & melatiah : was borne upon y^e : 6th of June : 1694 :

marcey : gray the daughtur of y^e above said Edward & melatiah : was borne upon the : 13th : day of Aprell : 1696

Ruben Okilley son of Beniaman and mary okilley he was borne on the 29th day of January in the year of our lord 1701^o

abaigal y^e daughter of y^e above sd mary okiley she was born on y^e 30th day of June in y^e year of our lord : 1714

susanah y^e daughter of y^e above sd mary she was born in medfeild on y^e 12 day of august : 1717 :

Mary y^e daughter of y^e above sd Mary : she was born in yarmouth on y^e 8th day of aprill in y^e year of our lord : 1720 :

Eliezer y^e son of y^e above sd Mary was Born on the first Day of may in : 1729

A register of the Children of John & Elisabeth : Alberson

Jecoliah : Alberson the daughtur of y^e said John and Elezabeth Alberson was borne upon y^e Second daye of Januarye : 1697 : 8 : and the, the above said Jecoliah Alberson died upon the : 12th : or : 13th : day of february in y^e year : 1697 : 8 : recorded by me John miller : T : C :

David Allbeson the son of John and Elezabeth Allbeson of yarmouth : was Borne upon the : feirst daye of Novmber : 1699 : recorded By me : John miller : T : clark

[p. 24] Yarmouth : A register of the names and Bearths of the Children of : zebolon and Hannah : Tharpe, as followeth

Rebecca : Tharpe the daughtur of zebolon, and Hannah Tharpe : was Born upon the : 12th : day of march : 1687 :

Bengaman Tharpe the son of zebolon and : Hannah Tharpe was Borne, upon the : 23th : day of march : 1689 :

Thomas Tharpe the, son of zebolon and Hannah Tharpe was Born in Aprell : 1692 :

Hannah Tharpe the daughtur of zebolon ; and Hannah Tharpe was Borne upon y^e : 23th : day of desember 1694 :

Mary Burg the daftur of Thomas burdg & Sarah burdg his wife was born the 27 of november 1696 :

Thomas Burdgs was born the 8 day of agust in the the year . 1698 :

(To be continued.)

GOVERNOR BRADFORD'S LETTER BOOK.

(Continued from page 81.)

I WILL next insert some letters from our friends at Leyden, written this year; and first, a letter of Mr. White's to myself, in which the heavy tidings of our beloved and able pastor's death and the manner of it, is declared.

*To his loving friend, Mr. WILLIAM BRADFORD, Governour
of Plymouth, in New England, these be, &c.*

Loving and kind friends, &c. I know not whether ever this will come to your hands, or miscarry, as other of my letters have done; yet in regard of the Lord's dealing with us here, I have had a great desire to write unto you; knowing your desire to bear a part with us, both in our joys and sorrows, as we do with you.

These therefore are to give you to understand, that it hath pleased the Lord to take out of this veil of tears, your, and our loving and faithful pastor, and my dear brother, Mr. John Robinson, who was sick some, eight days, beginning first to be sick on a Saturday morning, yet the next day, being the Lord's day he taught us twice, and the week after grew every day weaker, than other, yet felt no pain but weakness, all the time of his sickness; the physick he took wrought kindly, in man's judgment, yet he grêw every day weaker than other, feeling little or no pain, yet sensible, till the very last. Who fell sick the twenty second of February, and departed this life the first of March. He had a continual inward ague, which brought the ——— but I thank the Lord, was free of the plague, so that all his friends could come freely to him. And if either prayers, tears, or means would have saved his life, he had not gone hence. But he having faithfully finished his course, and performed his work, which the Lord had appointed him here to perform; he now rests with the Lord, in eternal happiness. We wanting him and all church Governours, not having one at present that is a governing officer amongst us. Now for ourselves here left (I mean the whole Church) we still, by the mercy of God, continue and hold close together in peace and quietness, and so I hope we shall do though we be very weak; wishing (if such were the will of God) that you and we were again together in one, either there or here, but seeing it is the

will of the Lord, thus to dispose of things, we must labour with patience to rest contented till it please the Lord otherwise to dispose of things.

For news at present here, is not much worth the writing, only as in England we have lost our old King who departed this life about a month ago, so here we have lost Grave Morrice, the old Prince here, who both departed this life, since my brother Robinson; and as in England we have a new King, Charles, of whom there is great hope of good; the King is making ready about one hundred sail of ships, the end is not yet certain, but they will be ready to go to sea very shortly; the King himself goes to see them once in fourteen days. So here likewise we have made Prince Hendrick General, in his brother's place, who is now with the Grave of Mansfield with a great army, close by the enemy, to free Breda, if it be possible, which the enemy hath besieged now some nine or ten months; but how it will fall out at last, is yet uncertain, the Lord give good success if it be his will. And thus fearing lest this will not come to your hands, hoping as soon as I hear of a convenient messenger, to write more at large, and to send you a letter which my brother Robinson sent to London; to have gone to some of you, but coming too late, was brought back again. And so for this time I cease further to trouble you, and rest,

Your assured loving friend,

ROGER WHITE.

Leyden, April 28, Anno 1625.

A letter of Thomas Blossom's to myself and Mr. Brewster, touching the same thing, as followeth.

BELOVED SIR,

Kind salutations, &c. I have thought good to write to you, concerning the cause as it standeth both with you and us; we see, alas! what frustrations and disappointments it pleaseth the Lord to send in this our course, good in itself and according to godliness taken in hand and for good and lawful ends, who yet pleaseth not to prosper us we see, for reasons best known to himself: And which also nearly concerns us to consider of, whether we have sought the Lord in it, as we ought, or not; that the Lord hath singularly preserved life in the business to great admiration, giveth me good hope that he will (if our sins hinder not) in his appointed time, give a happy end unto it. On the contrary when I consider how it pleaseth the

Lord to cross those means that should bring us together, being now as far off or farther than ever, in our apprehension ; as also to take that means away, which would have been so comfortable unto us in that course, both for wisdom of council as also for our singular help in our course of godliness, whom the Lord (as it were) took away even as fruit falleth before it was ripe, (he means Mr. Robinson) when neither length of days, nor infirmity of body, did seem to call for his end. The Lord even then took him away, as it were in his anger, whom if tears would have held, he had remained to this day. The loss of his ministry was very great unto me, for I ever counted myself happy in the enjoyment of it, notwithstanding all the crosses and losses otherwise I sustained. Yet indeed the manner of his taking away hath more troubled me, as fearing the Lord's anger in it, that, as I said, in the ordinary course of things might still have remained, as also, the singular service he might have yet done in the church of God. Alas, dear friends, our state and cause in religion ! by his death being wholly destitute of any that may defend our cause as it should against our adversaries. That we may take up that doleful complaint in the Psalm, that there is no prophet left among us, nor any that knoweth how long.

Alas ! you would fain have had him with you, and he would as fain have come to you ; many letters and much speech hath been about his coming to you, but never any solid course propounded for his going ; if the course propounded the last year had appeared to have been certain, he would have gone though with two or three families. I know no man amongst us knew his mind better than I did, about those things ; he was loath to leave the church, yet I know also, that he would have accepted the worst conditions which in the largest extent of a good conscience could be taken, to have come to you. For myself and all such others as have formerly minded coming, it is much what the same, if the Lord afford means. We only know how things are with you by your letters, but how things stand in England we have received no letters of any thing, and it was November before we received yours. If we come at all unto you, the means to enable us so to do must come from you. For the state of our church, and how it is with us and of our people, it is wrote of by Mr. White. Thus praying you to pardon my boldness with you in writing as I do, I commend you to the keeping of the Lord, desiring, if he see it good, and that I might be serviceable unto the business, that I were with you. God hath taken away my son, that was with me in the

ship, when I went back again ; I have only two children which were born since I left you : Fare you well.

Yours to his power,

THOMAS BLOSSOM.

Leyden, December 15, Anno 16: 5.

To his very loving friend, Mr. William Bradford, Governour of Plymouth in New England, these be.

My loving and kind friend, and brother in the Lord ; my own and my wife's true love and hearty salutations to yourself and yours and all the rest of our loving friends with you ; hoping in the Lord of your good healths, which I beseech him long to continue for the glory of his name and good of his people. Concerning your kind letter to the church, it was read publicly ; whereunto (by the church) I send you here inclosed an answer. Concerning my brother Robinson's sickness and death and our practice, I wrote you at large, some five or six months since ; but lest it should miscarry, I have now written to Mr. Brewster thereof, to whom I refer you. Now concerning your course of choosing your Governours yearly, and in special of their choosing yourself year after year, as I conceive they still do, and Mr. Allerton your assistant ; howsoever I think it the best way that can be, so long as it please the Lord to continue your lives, and so good Governours offer you ; yet, considering man's mortality, whose breath is in his nostrils, and the evils of the times wherein we live, in which it is ordinarily seen that worse follow them that are good, I think it would be a safer course, for after time, the government was sometime removed from one to another ; so the assistant one year might be Governour next and a new assistant chosen in his place, either of such as have or have not been in office ; sometimes one, sometimes another, as it shall seem most fit to the corporation. My reasons are, first, because other officers that come after you, will look (especially if they be ambitiously minded) for the same privileges and continuance you have had ; and if he have it not, will take great offence, as though unworthy of the place, and so greatly disgraced, whom to continue, might be very dangerous, and hazard (at least) the overthrow of all ; men not looking so much at the reasons why others were so long continued as at the custom. 2dly, because others that are unexperienced in government might learn by experience ; and so there might be fit and able men continually, when it pleaseth the Lord to take any away. 3dly, by this means, you may establish the things begun, or done before ; for the Governour this year,

that was assistant last, will in likelihood, rather ratify and confirm, and go on with that he had a hand in the beginning of, when he was assistant, than otherwise, or persuade the new to it; whereas new Governours, especially when there are factions, will many times overthrow that which is done by the former, and so scarcely any thing goeth forward for the general good; neither that I see, can this be any prejudice to the corporation; for the new may always have the counsel and advice of the old, for their direction, though they be out of office; these things I make bold to put to your godly wisdom and discretion, intreating you to pardon my boldness therein; and so leave it to your discretion to make use of as you see it fitting, not having written the least inkling hereof to any other. Now I entreat you, at your best leisure to write to me, how you think it will in likelihood go with your civil and church estate; whether there be hope of the continuance of both, or either; or whether you fear any alteration to be attempted in either; the reason of this my request is, the fear of some amongst us (the which if that hinder not, I think will come unto you) occasioned partly by your letter to your father in law, Mr. May, wherein you write of the troubles you have had with some, who it is like (having the times and friends on their sides) will work you what mischiefs they can; and that they may do much, many here do fear: And partly by reason of this king's proclamation, dated the 13th of May last, in which he saith, that his full resolution is, to the end that there may be one uniform course of government, in, and through all his whole monarchy; that the government of Virginia shall immediately depend on himself, and not be committed to any company or corporation, etc. so that some conceive he will have both the same civil and ecclesiastical government that is in England, which occasioneth their fear. I desire you to write your thoughts of these things, for the satisfying of others; for my own part and some others, we durst rely upon you for that, who we persuade ourselves, would not be thus earnest, for our pastor and church to come to you; if you feared the danger of being suppressed. Thus desiring you to pardon my boldness, and remember us in your prayers; I for this time and ever, commit you and all your affairs to the Almighty, and rest

Your assured loving friend

And brother in the Lord,

ROGER WHITE.

Leyden, Dec. 1, Anno 1625.

P. S. The church would entreat you to continue your writing to them, which is very comfortable.

To our most dear, and entirely beloved brethren, Mr. William Bradford and Mr. William Brewster, grace mercy and true peace be multiplied, from God our Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Most dear christian friends and brethren, as it is no small grief unto you, so is it no less unto us, that we are constrained to live thus disunited each from other, especially considering our affections each unto other, for the mutual edifying and comfort of both, in these evil days wherein we live: if it pleased the Lord to bring us again together, than which as no outward thing could be more comfortable unto us, or is more desired of us, if the Lord see it good; so see we no hope of means of accomplishing the same, except it come from you, and therefore, must with patience rest in the work and will of God, performing our duties to him and you assunder; whom we are not any way able to help, but by our continual prayers to him for you, and sympathy of affections with you, for the troubles which befall you; till it please the Lord to reunite us again. But our dearly beloved brethren, concerning your kind and respective letter, howsoever written by one of you, yet as we continue with the consent (at least in affection) of you both, although we cannot answer your desire and expectation, by reason it hath pleased the Lord to take to himself out of this miserable world our dearly beloved pastor, yet for ourselves we are minded as formerly, to come unto you, when and as the Lord affordeth means, though we see little hope thereof at present, as being unable of ourselves, and that our friends will help us we see little hope. And now, brethren, what shall we say further unto you; our desires and prayers to God, is (if such were his good will and pleasure) we might be reunited for the edifying and mutual comfort of both, which, when he sees fit, he will accomplish. In the mean time, we commit you unto him and to the word of his grace; whom we beseech to guide and direct both you and us, in all his ways, according to that, his word, and to bless all our lawful endeavours, for the glory of his name and good of his people. Salute, we pray you, all the church and brethren with you to whom we would have sent this letter. If we knew it could not be prejudicial unto you, as we hope it cannot; yet fearing the worst, we thought fit either to direct it to you, our two beloved brethren, leaving it to your goodly wisdom and discretion, to manifest our mind to the rest of our loving friends and brethren, as you see most convenient. And thus intreating you to remember us in your prayers, as we also

do you ; we for this time commend you and all your affairs to the direction and protection of the Almighty, and rest,

Your assured loving friends

And brethren in the Lord,

FRANCIS JESSOPP,
THOMAS NASH,
THOMAS BLOSSOM,
ROGER WHITE,
RICHARD MAISTERSON.

Leyden, Nov. 30, A.D. 1625.

Before I pass to other things, I will here insert a letter of Mr. Robinson's, which, though it is out of place, yet coming now to hand, I thought better to put it here, than to omit it. It was written to the church as followeth :

To the church of God, at Plymouth, in New England.

Much beloved brethren, neither the distance of place, nor distinction of body, can at all either dissolve or weaken that bond of true christian affection in which the Lord by his spirit hath tied us together. My continual prayers are to the Lord for you ; my most earnest desire is unto you ; from whom I will not longer keep (if God will) than means can be procured to bring with me the wives and children of divers of you and the rest of your brethren, whom I could not leave behind me without great, both injury to you and them, and offence to God and all men. The death of so many our dear friends and brethren ; oh ! how grievous hath it been to you to bear, and to us to take knowledge of, which, if it could be mended with lamenting, could not sufficiently be bewailed ; but we must go unto them and they shall not return unto us : And how many even of us, God hath taken away here, and in England, since your departure, you may elsewhere take knowledge. But the same God has tempered judgment with mercy, as otherwise, so in sparing the rest, especially those by whose godly and wise government, you may be, and (I know) are so much helped. In a battle it is not looked for but that divers should die ; it is thought well for a side, if it get the victory, though with the loss of divers, if not too many or too great. God, I hope, hath given you the victory, after many difficulties, for yourselves and others ; though I doubt not, but many do and will remain for you and us all to strive with. Brethren, I hope I need not exhort you to obedience unto those whom God hath set over you, in church and commonwealth, and to the Lord in them. It is a chris-

tian's honour, to give honour according to men's places; and his liberty, to serve God in faith, and his brethren in love orderly and with a willing and free heart. God forbid, I should need to exhort you to peace, which is the bond of perfection, and by which all good is tied together, and without which it is scattered. Have peace with God first, by faith in his promises, good conscience kept in all things, and oft renewed by repentance; and so, one with another, for his sake, who is, though three, one; and for Christ's sake who is one, and as you are called by one spirit to one hope. And the God of peace and grace and all goodness be with you, in all the fruits thereof, plenteously upon your heads, now and for ever. All your brethren here, remember you with great love, a general token whereof they have sent you.

Yours ever in the Lord,
Leyden, (Holland) June 30, Anno 1621. JOHN ROBINSON.

(To be continued.)

BARNSTABLE, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 75.)

John Hadeway & Hannah Hallet Married 1 of July 1656
his Eldest son born About Octo^r 1657 & Died About 10 Days After
his Son John born About y^e 16 of August 1658
his Daughter Hannah born y^e Beginning of May 1662
his Son Edward born y^e 10 of Feb 1663
Trustram Hull his Daughter Mary born End Sep : 1645
Sarah About y^e Latter End of March
Joseph In June 1652
John y^e End of March 1654
Hannah In Feb 1656
Joseph Hull and Experience Harper Married Octo^r 1676
his Son Tristram born 8 of Octo^r 1677
Jonathan Hatch & Sarah Rowley Married 11 April 1646
his Daughter Mary born y^e 14 of July 1648
his Son Thomas Born y^e 1 of January 1649
his Son Jonathan Born y^e 17 of May 1652
his Son Joseph Born y^e 7 of March 1654
his Son Benjamin 7 of Sept^r 1655

(To be continued.)

COL. JOHN GORHAM'S "WAST BOOK" AND HIS "DAYLY JOURNAL."

FACSIMILES AND TRANSCRIPTS.

WITH NOTES BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

EXTRACTS from Col. John Gorham's "Wast Book" were published in the "New York Genealogical and Biographical Record" in 1897; and in 1898 Mr. Frank William Sprague of Brookline, Mass., printed facsimiles of the manuscript in the same magazine and in the "New England Historical and Genealogical Register." The blocks from which these facsimiles were printed Mr. Sprague has presented to the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, as already acknowledged in this magazine, and he has increased the obligation of the Society to himself by securing from the owner of the "Wast Book," Mr. John M. Gorham of Cleveland, Ohio, the loan of this valuable manuscript to the Editor for a critical examination and the copying of such parts as seemed desirable. Mr. Gorham's courtesy in twice loaning the "Wast Book" is gratefully acknowledged.

The "Wast Book" is a blank book of twenty pages, with a cover of thick paper. It is thirteen and one-eighth inches tall and eight and one-half inches in width, and there are entries on every page, including the four cover pages. The owner has had bound with it Col. John Gorham's "Dayly Journal," begun eight years earlier than the "Wast Book."

The "Dayly Journal" is twelve and one-fourth inches tall and seven and five-eighths inches in width. It originally had at least sixty-four pages, as is shown by the stubs of leaves which have been cut out. There are now but forty-eight pages, four of which are entirely blank. The lower parts of three of the leaves have been torn off, and the entries on the last seven pages were written with the book reversed.

In the Louisburg Expedition John⁴ Gorham (*Shubacl*³, *John*², *Capt. John*¹) was Lieutenant Colonel of the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment, and his "Wast Book" contains a number of interesting notes of the siege; but the entries of most importance are those relating to "the Rise of y^e Family of Gorhams." These entries occupy the whole of the eighteenth and nineteenth pages and part of the twentieth. The facsimiles are here printed in the order in which the entries

were written, the transcripts showing what is on each page of the original.

On the cover of the "Wast Book" is the following inscription:

*Wast Book Belonging to Jn^o Gorham
Began in Louisbourg August 28th 1745*

"Wast Book Belonging to Jn^o Gorham Began in Louisbourg August 28th 1745"

At the top of the first page of the "Dayly Journal" is the following entry:

"(Super Altum Mare) June 29 1737 Jn^o Gorhams . memordm or Dayly Journal —

Some things put Down for a memorandum and account of Some Venters on Bord Sloop Neptune Solo Davis Comdr"

From other entries it appears that John Gorham was trading in various ports of Newfoundland during July and August, 1737; and on page 46 is found this entry:

"St Johns 13 of Augst 1737 I took possession of Brigg^t Greenland Brigg^t as mastr heald & tallowd her at N. England pay £8 pr month Bound to London & to Boston"

In command of a brigantine bound on a voyage to London, Gorham began to make note of matters to be attended to while there, and on page 48 is found the following entry, to which Mr. Sprague called my attention when he brought the manuscript to me:

"augst 29 1737 In St Johns 1737
memorandums of things to be bought In London
Copy of Cos Daniel Gorhams Invintary sent home"

"to Look out for y^e Gorhams Coat of Armes. Came from Huntingtunshear"

With this entry in mind I examined the remaining pages with the greatest care and was rewarded by finding on the forty-fourth page, under the heading "London . Octobr 1737 Som Account of cash Lade out or Spent," the following entries :

"Herralds office 7 . . 6"

"paid a man for Looking out the
Gorhams in the City 1 — 6"

The record of the fee of seven shillings and six pence paid at the Heralds College seems to indicate that the search for a coat of arms was successful. One could wish that Gorham had been more explicit in his entry and named the family with which he was connected. This omission is especially unfortunate since his notes in the "Wast Book" and the "Dayly Journal," that the family came from Huntingdonshire and that Capt. John's father was also named John, contradict the claim of modern writers that Capt. John Gorham was the John (son of Ralph) who was baptized at Benefield, Northamptonshire, on 28 January, 1620/1.

Which claim shall we accept? The one made by the great-grandson of Capt. John Gorham on the authority of Capt. John's grandson, Capt. George Gorham, or the one made by modern writers and based chiefly on similarity of names?

I will first consider the claim that Capt. John was the son of Ralph. This seems to be based solely on the fact that there was a Ralph Gorham in Plymouth between 2 October, 1637, and 5 April, 1642*, and that a Ralph Gorham had a son baptized at Benefield in 1621 as already stated. The statement has been made that the Plymouth Colony Records prove that Ralph of Plymouth was the father of Capt. John, but this is an error, as these records contain not the slightest evidence of any relationship between the two.

Capt. John Gorham's deposition, which was printed in an earlier issue of this magazine, † states his age as "53 yeares or therabouts" early in 1675. This, if exact, would make him more than a year younger than the John baptized at Benefield 28 January, 1620/1, but it is not conclusive evidence either for or against his identity with the John of Benefield.

Since no proof that Capt. John's father was Ralph has yet

* Court Orders, I: 128, 195, 208; II: 47.

† Mayflower Descendant, V: 28.

been produced by those who claim this connection, it is reasonable to suppose that Capt. George Gorham's statement was correct, and my examination of the records has resulted in the discovery of corroborative evidence which seems to have escaped the notice of earlier searchers. In August, 1643, a record was made of all the males between the ages of sixteen and sixty who were able to bear arms. In this list we find a John Gorham enrolled at Plymouth and one enrolled at Marshfield. In the absence of any evidence that this was an error, we must accept the record as it stands. Capt. John's first child was born at Plymouth, 2 April, 1644, and the second one at Marshfield, 5 May, 1646. It is probable therefore that he was enrolled at Plymouth and his father at Marshfield, in August, 1643.

I would call attention here to still another John Gorham, hitherto unnoticed. The Salem Quarterly Court Records and Files show that there was a John Gorham at the Iron Works at Lynn in December, 1647, September, 1650, and December, 1650, and that in June, 1651, a John Gorham whose residence is not stated was fined for drunkenness.* Who was this John? The entry in the "Wast Book" was made but a short time after the death of Col. Shubael³ Gorham, Capt. John's grandson, and the statements made were "taken from Cap^t George³ Gorham" (another grandson), whose father, Shubael² (*Capt. John*¹), was living two years after the "Wast Book" was begun. Capt. George³ was born in 1697 and must have been acquainted with at least three of his uncles (Capt. John's sons), James² who died in 1707, John² who died in 1716, and Joseph² who died in 1726. Capt. George³ therefore, had every opportunity to learn the name of his great-grandfather and the part of England from which the family came. We must also take into consideration the fact that in 1737, eight years before the "Wast Book" was begun, Col. John⁴ made a memorandum to the effect that the family came from Huntingdonshire, and looked the matter up when he reached London. If he had been descended from Ralph of Benefield he would have been certain to learn of it at this time, and would not have been likely to accept the statement of Capt. George, that Capt. John's father was named John.

The facsimiles and transcripts of the entries in the "Wast Book" will be found on the following pages.

The transcripts were made from the original document, not from the facsimiles.

* Essex Antiquarian, VI: 27; VII: 25, 81.

The Rise of Family of Gorhams Louisburg Feb 7 1745
Capt George Gorham taken from

my Great Great Grand father & family comes out
of some part of England and lived at Marshfield
and had ones son named after him John Gorham
John Gorham, alias Gorham -- which son after ~~some~~
& ~~residence~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~place~~ ~~of~~ ~~his~~ ~~birth~~
Having Married with an Howland and several children
Went home to England and returned soon again to
his family --

His father lived & died at Marshfield and what is
Remarkable he was a Joiner and Made his Paper
himself for several year before he died and used to
keep apples in it as a Chest until he died & lived

the son John that married ^{Desire} Howland and went to England
Moved from Marshfield to Farmington and settled
there in order to begin a ^{afterward called Farmington} townships of about 9 miles ten fathers in
Children - Nancy - John - Joseph

Isabel and Shubell now living
Daughters - Elizabeth - Mary a Hallett ^{Judith}
Temperance married Thomas Dexter and England now
lived at Farmington --

Desire - Gorham - married Capt Henry Farmington --
having his Leg Cut off died with it

Sydia - Gorham married Col. John Fletcher
Hanah - married a Wheeling boat to mood to.
Cape-may

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Louisburg Feb 27 1745/6

the Rise of y^e Family of Gorhams taken from Cap^t George Gorham —

my Great Great Grand father & Family Came out of Some part of England and Lived att Marshfield and Had one son Nam'd afr him John Gorum, alias Gorham — which Son afr Having Married With an Howland and Had Sevrall Children Went home to England and Returnd Soone again to his family —

His Father Lived & Dyed att Marshfield and Whats Remarkable He Was a Joyner and Made his Coffin himself for sevrall Year before he Dyed and Used to Keep apples In It as a Chest Untill He dyed & used t

the Soon John that maryd Desire Howland and Went to England Moved From Marshfield to Barnstable and Settled there in ord^r to begin a township afterwards Called Barnstable. Built Mills — tan fatts &c

Children . Names — Sons James — John — Joseph Jabez and Shuball now Living —

Daughters — Elzebeth — maryd a Hallet, att Sandwich

Temperance maryd Thomas Baxter an old England man Lived att Yarmouth —

Desire — Gorham — maryed a Cap^t Haws Yarmouth — having his Leg Cut of Dyed with It

Lydia — Gorham Maryed . Coll John Thacher

Hannah — maryd a Wheelding boath moved to Cape-may

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John Gorham, was a Captain of a Company of English & Indian and went to the fight of King Philips — or Swamp Warrennet fight and there was wounded by having his powder horn hit and split against his side and wounded and died at the battle — His last name — Dan — His figure
see below —

His second Son was My Grandfather Col John
Gorham married Mary Otis Col John Otis Sister
Children: ~~Steph~~ Mary married Capt Joseph
Hinkley — Temperance married Stephen Clegg
Frankful married Capt John Fuller Mary
Mary Col Alvana Bourne

My Stephen Gorham spent his time at Nantucket married
with Nathl Hart, buck Black Smith & Married Electa
Gardner daughter of James Gardner and both
Ways of the Quaker principals —

had about 200 Children Daughters ^{all} married at Nantucket
son all lived the sea Stephen died aged about 60

Shuball Gorham married Mary Thacher Col John

Thacher's daughter own Cousins — Hannah
Children — John David — Mary William — Lydia Hannah
Shuball — Joseph Neys —

Col Gorham died at Louisburg Feb 20 1745/6

John Gorham ^{married} Prudence Crocker — many Children

Job Gorham married Septia Simock second wife a
Sister to Capt Ed Simock killed in this Expedition
his second wife — Cap Isaac Freeman Widows —

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Shuball Gorham Married att Nantucket ^{island} ^{to} ^{my} ^{sister} ^{mary} ^{thacher} ^{Coll} ^{John} ^{thachers} ^{Daughter} ^{owne} ^{Cosens} [—]
 Remark— he and my Grandfather and all the wedding
 in going over to Nantucket to the wedding was taken
 prisoners and Stripped by a small French Shallop
 from port Roy alle Beluyt Nantucket & Swaney—
 he had three Sun all thed the sea ———
 Coast Sanell & Jonatten Leve sisters and all
 got to enery att Nantucket ———

James Gorham married a Huggins ^{at} ^{at} ^{Barnstable}.
 Joseph Gorham married a Sarah Sturgis ^{island} ^{reside} ^{at} ^{Nantucket}.
 Peter Gorham Married Widow Gray sister to Jerry Sturgis
 moved to Bristol ———

[p. 19] Cp^t. John Gorham Was a Captain of a Company of English
 & Indians and Went to the Fight of King philip— or Swamp Nar-
 raganset fight and there Was Wounded by having his poudr Horn
 Shot and Split against his side and Wounded—and Dyed att
 Swansey— His Leut— [*] His Ensigne Isaac Barker—

His second Son was My Grandfather Coll John Gorham maryed
 mary Otis Coll John Otis Sister

Children . Mary maryd Cap^t Joseph Hinkley— Temperanc
 maryd Stephen Clap— Thankful maryd Cap^t John fuller mercey
 maryd Coll Silvanas Bourn.

Sons Stephen Gorham servd his time att Nantucket With Nath^l
 Starbuck Black Smith— & Maryed Elzebh Gardner Daughter of
 James Gardner— and boath Was of the Quaker principalls—

had about doz Children. Daughtrs all maryd att Nantucket
 Sons all Used the sea. Stephen Dyed aged about 60

Shuball Gorham— Maryed mary thacher Coll John thachers
 Daught Daughter owne Cosens—

Children— John †— David— mary Willim— Lydia Hanah
 Hanah Shuball— Joseph Benjⁿ—

* Illegible.

† This John wrote the "Wast Book."— Editor.

Coll Gorham Dyed att Louisburg feb 20 1745/6
 John Gorham mared Prudence Crocker — many Children
 Job Gorham — maryed Desire Dimock Sister to Cap^t Ed Dimock
 Killed In this Expedition his second Wife — Cap^t Isaac Freemans
 Widdow —

[p. 20] unk Shuball Gorham Maryed att Nantucket puella Hussey
 Remark — he and my Granfather and all the Weddners In Going
 over to Nantucket to the Wedding with Cap^t James Gardner Was
 taken prisoners and Stripped by a Small French Shallop From port
 Royall betwixt Nantucket & Hyanas — He had three Sons all Used
 the sea — George Danell & Jonathan — Sevn sisters and all but to
 maryd att Nantucket —
 James Gorham maryd a Huggins — Livd att Barnstable
 Joseph Gorham maryed Sarah Sturgis Lived Yarmouth
 Jabez Gorham Maryd Widdow Gray Sister to Sary Sturgis movd
 to Bristol —

PLYMPTON, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. III, p. 166.)

[p. 149] the Children of John Rickard and Sarah his wife
 Margret Rickard was born Aprill 5th 1708
 Mary Rickard was born october 4th 1709
 Moriah Rickard was born September 29th 1711
 the Children of William Churchell jun and Ruth his Wife
 Ebenezer Churchell was born octob^r 18th 1705
 Hannah Churchell was born october 23^d : 1707
 David Churchell was born y^e 4th . of . novem^r 1709
 Rebeckah Churchell was born Janewary 8th 171½
 William Church was born December y^e 15th : 1714 :
 Ruth Churchell was born Sept^r y^e 14th 1716
 Nathaniel Churchell was born Maye y^e 11th 1718
 abigail Churchel was born July y^e 11th 1720
 Ichabod Churchel was born Sept^r y^e 24 1722
 the Children of William Sturtevant and fear his Wife. *She was the
 daughter of the Rev. Isaac Cushman of Plympton.**
 Isaac Sturtevant was born august 10th 1708
 Hannah Sturtevant was born august 20th : 1711
 Rebeckah Sturtevant was born July y^e (deceas^t) 1715
 fear & Elisabeth Sturtevant were born at a bearth aprill the 7th
 1719 *The said Fear, the daughter, married Capt. John Waterman
 of Halifax.*
 the Children of Jabez Edye by Mary his Wife
 Jabez Edye was born Aprill 14th 1700

* Entries in italics are additions to the original records by Lewis Bradford,
 town clerk 1812-1851.

Mary Edye was born Janewary 24th 170 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Ledia Edye was born february 3^d 170 $\frac{3}{4}$
 Beulah Edye was born June 6th 1707
 Moses Edye was born August 24th 1709
 Hasadiah Edye was born March 20th 17 $\frac{1}{2}$
 the Children of Jobe Simmons and hannah his wife
 Patience Simmons was born March first 170 $\frac{1}{2}$ patience Simmons
 deceast December 30th 1712
 Abigaill Simmons was born octobr 21st 1703
 Rebeckah Simmons was born maye 3^d 1706
 Moses Simmons was born february 25th: 170 $\frac{*}{8}$
 Ebenezer Simmons was born Novem^r 18th 1709
 Sarah Simmons was born march 17th 17 $\frac{1}{2}$
 John Simons was born may 7th 1714
 Elizabeth simons was borne decembr 13th 1716
 Elijah simons was born march 14th 1717
 Job simons was born may 20th 1720

[p. 150] The Children of John Tilson by lidia his Wife

Timothy Tilson was born february 24th 1707
 Mary Tilson was born December 13th 1708
 lidia Tilson was born maye 9th 1711
 Jonathan Tilson was born Sept^r ye 29th 1715
 Patience Tilson was born Janewary ye 18th 1718
 John Tillson was born march 23^d 1713
 the Children of Ephraim Tilson Jun^r by marcy his wife
 lemuell Tilson born aprill 9th 1711
 Hanah Tilson was born June ye 3^d 1713
 Marcy Tilson was born aprill ye 29th 1716
 Content Tilson was born ye 13th 1718
 Lois Tilson was born March ye 9th 172 $\frac{0}{4}$
 waitstil Tilson was born June the 3^d 1723
 Martha born November ye 6th 1725
 Abigal tilson was born July 4th 1729
 the Children of Josiah Cushman by Susanah his Wife
 Susanah Cushman was born Sept^r 16th 1710 deceast
 Martha Cushman was born Janewary ye 12th 17 $\frac{2}{3}$
 Susanah Cushman born born may ye 24: 1715:
 anna Cushman was born maye ye 20th 1717
 Josiah Cushman was born Augst ye 12th 1719
 Elcanah Cushman was born Sept^r ye 1721
 William Cushman was born febr^r ye 26th 1723/4
 the Child of Samull Cushman by fear his Wife
 desier Cushman was born Sept^r 18th 1710
 Marcy Cushman was born febr^r 8th 17 $\frac{2}{3}$
 Samuell Cushman was born July ye 10th 1715
 Joseph Cushman was born Janewary ye 7th 1717
 Jacob Cushman was born March ye twentyeth 17 $\frac{2}{8}$

* The "7" of the fraction $\frac{7}{8}$ has been worn off.

Jamima Cushman was born october ye 23^d 1724
 the Children of John Cole Jun^r by patience his Wife
 patience Cole was born ye 19th of June 1710
 Ebenezer Cole was born ye 17th of octob^r 1711
 John Coall was born october ye 16 1713
 Hannah Cole was born November ye 3^d 1715
 James Cole was born Janewary e 31st 171 $\frac{7}{8}$
 Hezekiah Cole was born July ye 29th : 1722 deceast
 Heseekiah Cole was born april the 9th : 1725
 Joseph Cole was born decem^{br} 26th 1726
 Consider Cole was born 29th october 1729
 the Children of Abiall fuller by annis his Wife
 John fuller was born february 25 : 170 $\frac{3}{4}$ John fuller Deceast *see page*
 130.

Benjamin fuller was born march 13th 170 $\frac{5}{8}$
 Abigaill fuller was born aprill 5th 1709
 Abiall fuller was born march 17th 17 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Seth fuller was born June ye 12th 1715
 Annis fuller was born May ye 28 : 1718
see page 131 for the death of the parents.

[p. 151] the Child of Benjamine Soull by Sarah his wife
 Ebenezer Soull was born february 16th 17 $\frac{1}{4}$
 the Children of Benjamin Sampson by margret his wife
 Thomas Sampson was born 8th of february 17 $\frac{1}{4}$
 Benjamine Sampson was born December 25th : 1712 1712
 Ruth Sampson was born July ye 11th 1716
 Nathaniell Sampson was born Sep^t ye 25th 1718
 Philemon Sampson was born Sep^t ye 12th 1720
For the deaths of the Parents see Page 112.
 the Children of John witon by Bethiah his wife
 Aszariah witon born august 9th 1711
 Aalice whiton was born february 28th 17 $\frac{1}{3}$
 Jedidah whiton was born february ye 8th 171 $\frac{5}{8}$
 Zaccheus witon born Maye ye first : 1716
 alpheus whiton was born March ye 10th 171 $\frac{7}{8}$
 Bethiah witon was born augst ye 16th * 172
 John witon was born febr^r ye 27th 172 $\frac{1}{2}$
 thomas witon born May the 27 1724
 the Children of Jonathan Briant by Margery his wife
 Mary born November 24th 1707
 Jonathan Briant was born maye : 11 : 1711
 the Children of Joseph Prat and Martha his wife
 Joseph Prat was born June 28th 1707
 Benajah Prat was born march 27 170 $\frac{8}{8}$
 Elcanah Prat was born march 12 17 $\frac{1}{11}$
 Martha Prat was born october 28th 1712
 the Child^r of Micajah Dunham by mary his wife

* "1720" was crossed out.

Joanah Dunham was born Nov^{mr} 5th 1709
 the Children of Daniell Pratt by Easter his wife.
 Joshua Prat was born Desember 27th 1701
 Sarah Prat born october first 1703
 by Mary his wife
 Benjamine Prat was born 28th 1707
 Ester Prat was born march y^e 30th 1709 1709.

[p. 152] the Children of Samuuell Sturtevant Jun^r by mary his wife
 desier Sturtevant was born March 8th 1708³
 Lemuell Sturtevant was born march 5th 1711⁰
 Samuuell Sturtevant was born June 5th 1716
 the births of Joseph Sampson and his Children by Anne his Wife
 Joseph Sampson was born July 14th 1679
 Deborah Sampson was born august 22^d 1706
 Judeth Sampson was born Sep^t 27 1708
 wealthea Sampson was born July y^e 2^d 1712
 Jadadiah Sampson was born June y^e 21st 1714
 Susannah Sampson was born may y^e 9th 1716
 the Children of John Curtice by Charity his Wife
 Ruth Curtice was born May 20th 1710
 Sarah Curtice was born may y^e 10th 1711
 the Children of Joseph Rickard by Deborah his wife
 Deborah Rickard was born Novem^r 10 1707
 pressellah Rickah was born Janewary 21th: 1701⁰
 Mary Rickard was born octo^r 29th 1711
 Joseph Rickard was born November y^e 20th 1713
 John Rickard was born November y^e 14th 1715
 Silas Rickard was born aprill y^e 26th 1717
 Sollomon Rickard was born y^e 8th day of april 1719
 the Children of Adam wright by Mehetebell his wife
 Nathan wright was born may 12th 1711
 the Children of Georg Sampson by Elezebeth his wife
 Joseph Sampson was born July 14th 1679
 Abigaill Sampson was born Janewary 22^d 1681⁰
 Judeth Sampson was born march 3^d 1683³
 Ruth Sampson was born Decem^r 22nd 1684
 Benjamine Sampson was born Sep^t 19th 1686
 Martha Sampson was born octob^r 25th 1689
 Georg Sampson was born March 10th 1691⁰
 Elizebeth Sampson was born Decem^r 22^d 1692
 William Sampson was born Julye 8th 1695
 Seth Sampson was born December 22^d 1697
*Mr George Sampson, the futher of the above Children, died July 26.
 1739 in the 85th year of his age. Mrs Elizabeth Sampson, his
 wife died May 27, 1727, in the 71st year of her age.*

[p. 153] the Children of Ebenezer Standish by hannah his w[ife]
 Zachariah Standish was born october 12th 1698

Moses Standish was born agust 30th 1701*

Hannah Standish was born march 6th 170³/₄ *She married Seth Staples.*

Zeruah Standish was born Janewary 8th 170⁸/₈ *She married Andrew Ring.*

Sarah Standish was born November 9th : 1709 *She married Jabez Newland.*

Marcy Standish was born octo^r y^e : 17th 1716 *She married Eben Lobdell and Benj : Weston.*

Mr Ebenezer Standish, the Father of the above Children, died in Plympton March 19 . 1755 . in the 83^d year of his age Mrs Hannah Standish the Mother of the above Children, died January 23 . 1759, in the 80th year of her age.

The Children of James Briant and Sarah his wife

Barnebus Briant was born march 7th 17¹/₁⁰/₁

Rebeckah Briant Deceasd aprill 26th 1711

hopstill Briant was born June y^e 23^d 1713 :

Barnabus Briant was born November y^e 18th 1715

Seth Briant was born July y^e 16th 1718

Rebeckah Briant was born febr^e the 4th 172⁰/₁

Sarah, the Mother was the daughter of the Rev. Isaac Cushman.

The Children of John Waterman & Ledia his wife

Sarah waterman was born November the 8th 1709

Joseph waterman was born february 2^d 17¹/₁⁰/₁

peres watterman was born october y^e 8th 1713

Anthony watterman was born June y^e 23^d : 1716

John waterman was born July y^e 3^d 1718

Elesar waterman was born August 3^d 1721

Lydia waterman was born april 7th 1724

The Children of Eleazer prat by hannah his wife

Eleazer prat was born September 17th 1705

Elizebeth pratt was born March 4th 170⁷/₈

William and jane pratt were born at a birth march 20th : 17¹/₁⁰/₁

The Children of Joseph phinney by Easter his wife

Marcy phinney was Born sept 19th 1707

Joseph phinney was born aprill 10th 1709

pelatiah phinney was born march 21st : 17¹/₁⁰/₁

patience phinney was born augst y^e : 19 : 1713

Experience phinney was bromn aprill the 8th 1716

hanah Phinney was born april y^e 8th 1720

John Briants Children by mary his Wife

Elisha Briant was Born jun 28th 1707

Ephraim Briant was born Janewary 18th 1710

Sarah Bryant, who married David Morse
Also John Bryant, who died Oct. 25, 1724, aged 4 years and 9 months.
James, born Aug. 27, 1702; and
Ebenezer, born March 14, 1705.

(To be continued.)

* "2" was changed to "1."

† "1" written over "2."

THE WILL OF JOSIAH² COOKE.*

Transcribed from the Original Records,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

JOSIAH² COOKE of Eastham, son of Josiah Cooke of Plymouth and Eastham, was not descended from Francis Cooke of the Mayflower †; but he married Deborah³ Hopkins (*Gyles², Stephen¹*) and through her all of his descendants are eligible to membership in the Society of Mayflower Descendants, since both her father and grandfather were Mayflower passengers.

Josiah Cooke died at Eastham 31 January, 1732, and his will is recorded in the Barnstable County Probate Records, Volume V, pages 124 and 125.

[JOSIAH² COOKE'S WILL.]

In the name of God amen this Seventh day of december in the first year of his Majestys Reign Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred twenty Seven I Josiah Cooke of Eastham in the County of Barnstable in the Province of y^e Massachussetts bay in New England Yeoman being now arriv'd to old Age and being yett of disposing mind and memory blessed be God for it do now therefore make & Ordain this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making null & Void all Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made and this only to be my Last Will & Testament In manner following First of all I Commit my Soul to God that gave it and my body to the Earth to be decently buried And having Already taken Care for the Support of my Life in my old age and haveing Already given to my Children Considerable in Lands money andc, I do now therefore Give devise and Dispose of the Remainder of my Estate as followeth That is to Say after my Just Debts and funeral Charges are paid, I do in the first Place give and bequeath unto the South Church of Christ In Eastham whereof I was a member The Full & Just Sum of Fourty Shillings Passable money to be delivered to and Receiv'd by the Deacons of Sd Church for the Use of Sd Church

Item I give and bequeath to the Reverend Mr Samuel Osborn Pastor of Said Church The full Sum of Twenty Shillings Passable money Item I Give To my Son Josiah Cooke my Silver

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† See Mayflower Descendant, III : 97, footnote.

headed Cane & no more of my Estate & Twenty Shillings Passable money —

Item I Give To my Son Richard Cooke Twenty Shillings Passable money and no more of my Estate —

Item I Give to my Son Joshua Cooke Twenty Shillings Passable money and no more of my Estate —

[p. 125] Item I Give to my Son Caleb Cooke Twenty Shillings Passable money and no more of my Estate —

Item I Give to my Loving Daughter Deborah Godfrey Twenty pounds in money or in things Valued at money price whereof in part of the Sd Twenty pounds She hath Receiv'd already by a Note of Particulars the Sum of Ten pounds Six Shillings — The remainder of the Twenty pound being paid She Shall have no more of my Estate

Item I Give to my Daughter Elizabeth Newcomb Twenty Shillings Passable money & no more of my Estate —

And the abovesd Legacys To be paid by my Executor hereafter mention'd In Convenient time after my decease —

And I do also Constitute and appoint my Son Benjamin Cooke my Sole Executor to this my Last Will and Testament, In Witness to the Truth of the above Written I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal the day and Year Abovesaid

Sign'd Seald & Declared to be his

Last Will and Testament in

his
Josiah Cooke (Seal)
mark

Presence of us

Witness

Samuel Freeman

Isaac Pepper

John Witherell

Barnstable Ss The above named Samuel Freeman & Isaac Pepper Who Sign'd as Witnesses to this Instrument made Oath that they Saw Josiah Cooke abovemention'd Sign Seal pronounce and declare the abovemention'd Instrument to be his Last Will and Testament and that he was of Sound mind and Memory when he So did in their best Apprehension and that they each Sign'd with John Witherell as Witness at the Same time Dated the 5th Day of July 1732

Coram A Bourn Judge of Probate

Barnstable Ss Att a Court of Probate held at Sandwich on the 30th day of August 1732 Then this Will was Approv'd P
A Bourn Jud: of Prob —

Recorded and Compared & Recored Pr S Bourn Reg^r

The Exec^{tr} gave bond & So no Inv entory

REPORTS FROM STATE SOCIETIES.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY.

THE thirty-fifth meeting of the Society was held at the Hotel Vendome, Boston, on Saturday afternoon, March 28, 1903. The meeting was given up entirely to the consideration of business matters, including proposed changes in the By-Laws, which were amended so that in future the Annual Meeting will be held on the twenty-eighth day of March, the anniversary of the organization of the Society. The Annual Dinner will be given, as heretofore, on the twenty-first of November.

The thirty-sixth meeting of the Society was held at Potter Hall, New Century Building, Boston, on Tuesday evening, April 28, 1903. Mr. Morton Dexter, the Governor of the Society, delivered an address on the Pilgrims in Leyden; and Miss Harriet Arline Shaw gave several selections on the harp and there were vocal selections by Miss Margaret S. Conrad.

DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY AND CABINET.

"Perth Assembly," printed by Elder Brewster in 1619. Presented by some of his descendants. [See Pilgrim Notes and Queries in this issue.]

Photograph of the record of Governor William Bradford's baptism, from Mr. Morton Dexter of Boston.

"A Finding List of Genealogies and Local History in the Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, New York, Supplement No. 1," from the Library.

A pamphlet on the Reed Family, from the compiler, Mr. Edward F. Reed of Boston.

Fifty-seven numbers of the "Bangor Historical Magazine" and the "Maine Historical Magazine," from Mr. Edward H. Whorf of Boston.

Matthews' "American Armory and Blue Book," from Mrs. Edwin K. Moore of Boston.

"Proceedings of the Bostonian Society," 1903, from the Society.

"Chicago Historical Society. Report of Annual Meeting, November 18, 1902," from the Society.

"Waterman (Illinois) Year Book," 1902, from the compiler, Mr. George E. Congdon of Sac City, Iowa.

"Kimball-Weston Memorial," from the compiler, Prof. William Herbert Hobbs of Madison, Wis.

"Manual of the General Court," Massachusetts, 1903, from Mr. Arthur E. Linnell of Wollaston.

A Spoon made by the donor in a Spoon-mould said to have belonged to Peregrine White; also forty-six Reports of the Town of Brewster, Mass., from Town Clerk Eben W. Paine.

"Genealogy in part of the Sprague Families in America from 1628 to 1902," from the compiler, Hon. Augustus B. R. Sprague of Worcester.

Vital Records of the towns of Lee, Leicester, Medfield and Westborough, Mass. (four volumes), from the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Thirty-seven Reports of the Town of Truro, Mass., from Town Clerk John B. Dyer.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

March 16, 1903.

769. William Taft Slayton, M.D., Hyde Park, Vt, seventh from Dr. Samuel Fuller.
 770. Miss Sarah Banks Thompson, Boston, seventh from Francis Cooke.
 771. Theodore Lyman Harlow, Gardner, ninth from Richard Warren.
 772. Mrs. John Bishop Bartlett, Boston, eighth from John Howland.
 773. Mrs. William Henry Allen, Boston, eighth from John Howland.
 774. Hugh Ausborne Hopkins, Malden, eighth from Stephen Hopkins, seventh from Gyles Hopkins.

March 28, 1903.

775. Mrs. Luigi Melano Rossi, Boston, tenth from William Brewster.
 April 21, 1903.
 776. Augustus Brown Reed Sprague, Worcester, seventh from John Alden.
 777. Mrs. George Gibson McMurtry, New York, N. Y., seventh from John Alden.
 778. Samuel Swett Green, Worcester, seventh from John Howland.
 779. Col. Henry Clay Wood, New York, N. Y., seventh from Francis Cooke.

May 22, 1903.

780. Joseph Alden Shaw, Worcester, seventh from John Alden.
 781. Mrs. Clarence Fletcher Hare, Boston, eighth from John Alden.
 782. Mrs. Charles Ward Bartlett, Brookline, eighth from Thomas Rogers.

SUPPLEMENTAL LINES FILED.

January, 1903.

738. Miss Erminnie A. French, tenth from James Chilton, ninth from Mary Chilton.
 752. Clarence F. French, tenth from James Chilton, ninth from Mary Chilton.
 753. Mrs. Clarence F. French, eighth from Peter Brown.

February, 1903.

305. Mrs. George E. Richardson, ninth from Richard Warren.
 713. Miss Katharine K. Davis, eighth from John Howland.
 759. Miss Helen Perkins, ninth from William Bradford; tenth from James Chilton, ninth from Mary Chilton; ninth from Richard Warren.

March, 1903.

763. Mrs. Edwin K. Moore, eighth from Isaac Allerton.

April, 1903.

180. Mrs. Charles H. Fisher, eighth from John Howland.
 769. William T. Slayton, M.D., ninth from Francis Cooke.

May, 1903.

715. Arthur E. Linnell, tenth from Thomas Rogers, ninth from Joseph Rogers.
 779. Col. Henry C. Wood, seventh from Peter Brown.

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

March 4, 1903.

711. Mrs. Charles Volney Hooper, Albany, eighth from William Brewster, seventh from Love Brewster.
 712. Charles Francis Brown, Baltimore, Md., eighth from John Alden.

April 1, 1903.

713. Mrs. Erastus Buck Treat, New York, seventh from Edward Doty.
714. Miss Sara Louise Chase, New York, eighth from Stephen Hopkins, seventh from Gyles Hopkins.
715. Mrs. Hampton Pierson Howell, New York, eighth from Myles Standish.
716. Miss Bessie Adele Brown, Baltimore, Md., eighth from John Alden.
717. Mrs. Charles Valentine Faile, New York, eighth from Isaac Allerton, seventh from Mary Allerton.

May 6, 1903.

718. William Robinson Pitcher, Brooklyn, ninth from William Brewster.
719. Anson Jesse Ives, Savannah, Ga., ninth from Francis Cooke, eighth from John Cooke.
720. Miss Lillian Rudderow Richmond, Buffalo, ninth from Thomas Rogers.
721. Edward Seymour Richmond, Buffalo, ninth from Thomas Rogers.
722. Mrs. Perry A. Randall, Fort Wayne, Ind., ninth from Stephen Hopkins, eighth from Constance Hopkins.
723. Frank Brookfield, New York, ninth from William Brewster.
May 11, 1903
724. Frank Bartlett Steele, Buffalo, eighth from William Bradford.
725. Mrs. Algernon S. Butterfield, Evansville, Ind., eighth from William Bradford.

May 21, 1903.

726. Mrs. Charles Henry Ray, Hartford, Conn., eighth from Stephen Hopkins, seventh from Gyles Hopkins.
727. Mrs. Francis Swinnerton Bullock, Baltimore, Md., sixth from John Alden.
728. Horace Brown, Baltimore, Md., eighth from John Alden.
729. James Shepard Dennis, New York, eighth from William Bradford.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY.

MEMBER ELECTED.

May 13, 1903.

145. Mrs. Henry Winfield Peacock, Mt. Airy, seventh from John Alden.

ILLINOIS SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

March 11, 1903.

105. Morton McCulloch Snow, M.D., Chicago, tenth from Stephen Hopkins, ninth from Constance Hopkins.

May 13, 1903.

106. Edward Beecher Case, Chicago, eighth from John Alden.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

March 10, 1903.

154. John Alden Goldsborough, Washington, eighth from John Alden.
155. George Colvin Kennedy, Waterloo, Iowa, ninth from John Alden.
156. Robert Root Bennett, Washington, eighth from Francis Cooke.

157. Frederick Dent Grant, San Antonio, Texas, eighth from Richard Warren.
April 7, 1903.
158. Thomas Monroe Gale, Washington, ninth from Edward Fuller, eighth from Samuel Fuller.
159. Mrs. William Curtis Hill, Washington, tenth from Edward Fuller, ninth from Samuel Fuller.
May 12, 1903.
160. William Bradford Hiteshew, Parkersburg, W. Va., eighth from William Bradford.
161. Charles Talbott Hiteshew, Parkersburg, W. Va., eighth from William Bradford.
162. Brainard Henry Warner, Washington, eighth from Edward Doty.
163. Mrs. Charles Edward Munroe, Washington, ninth from William Brewster, eighth from Love Brewster.
164. Edgar Nelson Doty, Wilkinsburg, Pa., seventh from Edward Doty.

SUPPLEMENTAL LINE FILED.

March, 1903.

155. George C. Kennedy, ninth from Thomas Rogers.

WISCONSIN SOCIETY.

MEMBER ELECTED.

April 14, 1903.

48. Mrs. William Herbert Hobbs, Madison, ninth from Francis Cooke.

RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

March 11, 1903.

50. John Francis Adams, Pawtucket, ninth from John Howland.
51. Mrs. John Alexander Cross, Providence, tenth from William Brewster.
52. Mrs. Roscoe Stetson Washburn, Providence, eighth from John Howland.
53. Courtland Cook Earle, Providence, tenth from Francis Cooke, ninth from John Cooke.
54. Mrs. Ellery Irving Wilcox, Providence, tenth from Richard Warren.
55. Addison Pierce Munroe, Providence, eighth from Richard Warren.
56. Charles Frederic Taylor, Providence, eighth from Richard Warren.
57. Miss Annie Williams Taylor, Providence, ninth from Richard Warren.
March 25, 1903.
58. William Lloyd Slade, Providence, eighth from Richard Warren.
59. Mrs. Henry Brayton Rose, Providence, eighth from Richard Warren.
60. Mrs. Clarence E. Thomas, Wakefield, ninth from John Howland.
61. Miss Grace Belle Davis, Providence, tenth from Francis Cooke, ninth from John Cooke.
62. Miss Edith Howland Manchester, Providence, eleventh from Francis Cooke, tenth from John Cooke.
63. Mrs. Samuel Ames, Providence, ninth from James Chilton, eighth from Mary Chilton.
64. Walter Howland Manchester, Providence, seventh from Francis Cooke

65. Miss Opal Anna Russell, Providence, ninth from Myles Standish.
May 15, 1903.
66. George Allen Taylor, Providence, ninth from Richard Warren.

SUPPLEMENTAL LINE FILED.

April, 1903.

53. Courtland Cook Earle, tenth from Richard Warren.

MICHIGAN SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

March 17, 1903.

36. Miss Bessie Mitchell West, Detroit, ninth from Richard Warren.
37. Frank West, Detroit, ninth from Richard Warren.
38. Herschel Bouton Lazell, Lansing, eighth from Francis Cooke.

PILGRIM NOTES AND QUERIES.

NOTES.

VITAL RECORDS OF TOWNS IN PLYMOUTH COUNTY, MASS. The Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants is preparing to publish the vital records (births, intentions of marriage, marriages and deaths) of the towns of Plymouth County, in addition to those of Barnstable County. The records of each town will be issued in a separate volume, which will contain a literal copy of every entry found on the records of the town down to the year 1850.

A more detailed announcement, giving also the advance subscription prices of a number of the books, will be ready soon.

OLD COLONY TOWN RECORD FUND. In order to assist in the work of printing the records of the towns in Plymouth County the "Old Colony Town Record Fund" has been started, and all gifts towards the expense of this work and advance subscriptions for copies of the books, with all receipts from sales of books issued at the expense of the fund, will be added to it.

Contributions received: Arthur I. Nash, \$25.00; Herbert Nash, \$25.00; Total, \$50.00.

Five hundred sets of Bowman's Ancestral Charts and ten copies of the Freeman Genealogy have been donated by the Editor, to be sold for the benefit of the Old Colony Town Record Fund in accordance with the very liberal offer in our advertising pages.

BREWSTER, MASS., VITAL RECORDS. The Regular Edition of the Brewster, Mass., Vital Records, which will contain literal copies of all entries of births, intentions of marriage, marriages and deaths found on the records of the town down to the year 1850, will be ready about September first and until that date advance subscriptions, if accompanied by a remittance, will be accepted at \$1.00 per copy. On and after September 1, 1903, the price of this book will be \$2.00 per copy.

TRURO, MASS., VITAL RECORDS. The work of transcribing the Truro records has been completed and about one-fourth of the manuscript has

been put into type. The work is proceeding as rapidly as the funds will allow.

CHATHAM AND DENNIS VITAL RECORDS. We are now prepared to receive subscriptions for the Chatham and the Dennis records, and the copying of the Dennis records has begun. The prices of these books will be as follows: Chatham, \$4.00 (\$3.00 if paid in advance of publication); Dennis \$4.00 (\$3.00 if paid in advance of publication).

CAPE COD TOWN RECORD FUND. *Contributions received:* Miss Susan Snow Rogers, \$25.00; A Friend, \$4.00; Edwin A. Grozier, \$1.00; James L. Wesson, \$1.00; Isaac G. Lombard, \$1.00; *Special Gifts for Brewster Memorial:* Benjamin H. Doane, \$5.00; Miss Esther Hinckley Baker, \$3.25; John E. Brandegee, \$2.00; Mrs. Melvin B. Gilbert, \$1.00; George Ernest Bowman, \$35.00 (Receipts from sales of Bowman's Ancestral Charts and Freeman Genealogies, as advertised); *Advance payments for copies of Brewster, Chatham, Dennis, Eastham, Orleans, Provincetown, Truro and Wellfleet books,* \$286.00; *Previously acknowledged,* \$364.00; *Total receipts,* \$728.25.

"PERTH ASSEMBLY," PRINTED AT LEYDEN, 1619. A copy of David Calderwood's "Perth Assembly," printed by Elder William Brewster at Leyden in 1619, has been purchased, handsomely bound in full light red crushed Levant, and presented to the Massachusetts Society by descendants of Elder Brewster, and the names of the donors have been inscribed in the book. The names of those who sent in contributions for this purpose follow: Victor C. Alderson, Mrs. S. Reed Anthony, G. Hunter Bartlett, M.D., Henry J. Bowen, Austin Lord Bowman, Mrs. George Augustus Bowman, George Ernest Bowman, Rev. Charles A. Brewster, Charles E. Brewster, Henry C. Brewster, Miss Jane E. Brewster, Morgan G. Bulkeley, Charles A. Burditt, Mrs. William H. Chany, Mrs. Edward E. Capehart, Homer P. Clark, Mrs. Edward J. Cox, J. D. Cox, Edwin S. Crandon, Edwin A. DeWolf, John O. DeWolf, Mrs. Henry T. Dobson, Mrs. George W. Downing, Charles W. Dulles, M.D., Mrs. Henry H. Ellison, Mrs. Orrell F. Elwell, Cordilla W. Fitch, Rev. David B. Ford, D.D., Miss Emma F. Foster, John G. Foster, Volney W. Foster, Miss Betsey R. Freeman, Walter Freeman, Sidney B. Gifford, Mrs. Melvin B. Gilbert, Miss Anne L. Hubbell, Alvin P. Johnson, Josiah Laselle, Miss Lucretia C. Lennig, Miss Laura A. Leonard, Mrs. Francis D. Little, Mrs. Elizabeth W. Lord, Rev. H. H. Loud, Mrs. William W. Lunt, Mrs. George D. Marcy, William K. McAllister, Mrs. Lillian Monk, Mrs. Edmund K. Moore, Mrs. John H. Morison, Charles W. Newton, Rev. Thomas W. Nickerson, Jr., George C. Nightingale, Mrs. Joseph H. Oglesby, Mrs. William D. Parkinson, Mrs. John F. Parsons, Miss Frances A. Plimpton, Mrs. Burr Porter, Mrs. George H. Quincy, Francis H. Raymond, Miss Eloise P. Robinson, Mrs. W. A. Robinson, Winfred H. Rogers, Mrs. Luigi M. Rossi, Rev. Edward H. Rudd, William H. Ryder, Mrs. Charles L. Seabury, Nathaniel A. Shaw, Miss Emma B. Smith, Mrs. Henry M. Smith, W. Scott Smith, Clarence W. Stetson, Mrs. Elizabeth L. Tarbox, Frank B. Tobey, Everett P. Turner, Howard C. Turner, Philip F. Turner, Mrs. Elias A. Tuttle, Mrs. Edwin H. Van Ostrand, Miss Floretta Vining, Mrs. Dole Wadley, Mrs. George H. Walker, Mrs. Joel C. Walter, Andrew G. Weeks, Samuel W. Woodward.

The above is a true and correct copy
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BENJAMIN³ BREWSTER'S WIFE WAS ANN DARTE, NOT ANN DARBE.

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In a biographical sketch of Dr. Asa Fitch, published in the "New York Genealogical and Biographical Record" for July, 1903,* the statement is made that Benjamin³ Brewster (*Jona- than², Elder William¹*) married "Ann Darbe," and the reasons for making this claim are stated in a footnote, in the following words:

"The wife of Benjamin Brewster is often given as Ann Darte, and the 'Brewster Book,' once in the Fitch family and now deposited in Boston, is given as authority. Dr. Asa Fitch examined this book and copied from it some forty years ago before it had been handled so much as it has been of late years, and it was plain to him that the name there recorded was Darbe."

It is exceedingly unfortunate that the writer of these words, without any attempt to verify Dr. Fitch's reading of the record, should have put into print one more error to perplex and mislead future students of Brewster and Fitch genealogy.

The record in question was made in the "Brewster Book" by Benjamin³ Brewster himself, and, as it lies before the present writer, is as legible as the day it was made, more than two hundred years ago. The half-tone reproduction which faces this page shows very plainly that the name is "Darte" *not* "Darbe." The two pages of the "Brewster Book" shown in the illustration contain eight entries in the handwriting of Benjamin³

* Vol. xxxiv, p. 155.

Brewster. These were all printed in the "Mayflower Descendant" in 1899, but are reprinted here for the benefit of those who are not familiar with the style of handwriting used.

"Lucretia the Daftre of peter Bradle Borne at New London August the 16. 1661

peter Bradle the husbund of Elisabeth deyed Aprell : 3 1662

Johannathan Brewster Deyed in the yere of our Lord : 1659 In August the 7th daye

Beniamen Brewster Mareed t[o] Ann Darte the last Daye of Febeare : [*] Marre the dofter of Beniam[en] Brewster borne the : 10th : day [of] Desember 1660

Ann the Dafter of Beniamen Brewster Borne at mohegin the 29th of September 1662

Johnnathan the sonn of Benjamen Brewster borne at mohegin November the Last 1664

Dannell the Son of Benjamem Brewster borne at mohegin th[e] first of march 1667

Lock in another plase"

An examination of these eight entries will show that the letter "b" appears nine times and the letter "t" forty-four times, and that in no case was the letter "b" written so carelessly that it could be mistaken for a "t," even if it stood alone and its identity could not be proved by means of the remaining letters in the word. On the other hand it will be seen that there are several cases in which the letter "t" is carelessly made and, if standing alone, might easily be mistaken for a "b."

In the entry under consideration we find the letter "t" used three times besides its use in the word "Darte," and in the word "Darte" it does not bear the slightest resemblance to the "b" in "Febeare" or to any other "b" written by Benjamin³ Brewster.

In the Norwich, Conn., records this name is given as Dart. It will be evident, therefore, to all who examine the original entry or the reproduction herewith, that Benjamin³ Brewster married "Ann Darte" and that the reading "Darbe" was an error.

* Apparently "1659 : 1660" was written at first. Later both were crossed out and "1659" added in different ink. The date of birth of the first child and the fact that the marriage is entered on the Norwich, Conn., records [Book I, p. 23] as occurring in February, 1659 (old style, of course), prove that this marriage took place in February 1659/60.

EASTHAM AND ORLEANS, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 23.)

[p. 25] Israel Cole and Mary Rogers was Married the : 24 : of aprill :
1679

Hannah Cole the daughter of Israel Cole was borne the : 28th : of
June : 1681

Israel Cole a Sonne borne Named Israel : the : 28th of June in the
year : 1685 :

Jonathan Godfrey and Mercy Mayo were married by Joseph Doan
Esq^r on ye 30th day of october Anno Dom 1707

Joseph merrick Jun^{er} and Mary young were marryed by mr Samuell
Treat february ye 5th : 1712/13

Simon Crosby and Mary Nicherson was Married the : 27th day of
agust : 1691

Simon Crosby a son borne the : 11^{ent}h day of July : 1692 : Named
Samuel

Elizabeth Crosby the daughter of Simon Crosby was born the : 15th
day of September in the year . 1693

Samuell Horton and Hannah atwood were married by m^r Samuell
Treat on the twentyeighth day of January anno domini 171³/₄

John horton Son of Samuel & hannah horton was born april 24 .
1715

hannah horton Daughter of Samuel & hannah horton was born febr-
ary 25 : 1717/18

nathaniel horton Son of Samuel & hannah horton was born february
24 : 1720/21

Susanah horton Daughter of Samuel & hannah horton was born
December 24 : 1723

Abigel horton Daughter of Samuel & hannah horton was born De-
cember 26 : 1725

Elizabeth horton Daughter of Samuel & hannah horton was born
October 2 : 1727

Samuel horton Son of Samuel & hannah horton was born October
16 : 1729

James horton Son of Samuel & hannah horton was born march
1 : 1730/31

[p. 26] James Rogers and Marie paine weare married the 11^{ent}h of
Jenuarie in the yeare 1670

Samuel Rogers (otherwise baptised James and soe to be Called april
1680)* the sonne of James Rogers was borne the 30th day of
october 1673

* The words enclosed in parentheses were interlined by the same hand, in
different ink.

Mary Rogers the daughter of James Rogers was borne the ninth day of November 1675
 abigael rogers the daughter of James Rogers was borne the : 2nd of march : 167 $\frac{3}{4}$
 Theophilus Crosby the sonne of Joseph Crosby was borne the one and thirtieth day of december in the year . 169 $\frac{3}{4}$:
 Israel Young and Katharine frost were Married by Mr Samuell Treat the 3^d day of June annodom 1708
 Note Mary, wid^w of Jas Rogers above Married Israel Cole *

[p. 27] Isaace peper and apphia ffreman wear Married the : 7th : of october in the year : 1685
 Apphiah pepper the daughter of Isaace pepp was born the 24th day of february in the year of our lord : 1687
 Mary pepper the daughter of Isaace pepper was born the 7th day of Agust in the year of our lord 1690
 Isaace pepper the son of Isaace pepper was born the . 29th day of July in the year of our lord . 1693
 Robert Pepper the Son of Isaac and Apphia Pepper was borne the fifteenth day of february : In the year 1695 : 6
 Elizebeth Pepper : the daughter of Isaac and apphia Pepper was borne at Eastham the cleaventh day of July : in the year : 1698
 Joseph Pepper the son of Isaac and Apphia Pepper was borne at Eastham the first day of november : 1700
 Joseph Pepper dyed the first day of may 1703.
 Solomon Pepper the Son of Isaac and apphia Pepper was Born at Eastham y^e 15th day of Januarie 1703
 Joseph Pepper the Son of Isaac and Apphia Pepper was Born at Eastham the 24th day of februarie 1704/5
 John Cole Senior Dyed the Sixth Day of January anno Domini 171 $\frac{3}{4}$

[p. 28] John Cole and Ruth Snow weare married the 12^{eth} Day of December in the yeare 1666
 John Cole a Daughter named Ruth was borne the 11th Day of march in the yeare 1667 ales 1668
 John Cole a sonne named John was borne the 6th Day of march in the yeare 1669 ales 1670
 Hephzebah Cole the daughter of John Cole was borne about the Midle of June 1672
 Hannah Cole the daughter of John Cole was borne the : 27th of March in the yeare : 1675
 Joseph Cole the son of John Cole was borne the : 11th : of June in the year : 1677 :
 May Cole the daughter of John Cole was borne the 22th day of october : 1679
 Sarah Cole the daughter of John Cole was borne the 10th day of June : 1682

* This entry is in a modern hand.

- Ruth Cole the wife of John Cole Senior dyed January y^e 27th 1716/17
Daniel Cole Ju^r and Sarah Hubbard were married by Joseph Doane
Esqu^r on the 10th day of June annodom 1708
Daniel * Cole the Son of Daniel and Sarah Cole was Born at East-
ham the eighth day of July 1709
Eliner Cole the Daughter of Daniel and Sarah Cole was Born at
Eastham y^e Sixteenth day of aprill : 1711
Daniel Cole the Son of Timothy Cole dyed the nineteenth day of
august Anno Dom : 1711
James Smith and Hannah Rogers were married by Mr Samuell Treat
february y^e 19th 1712/13
Levi Smith the Son of James and Hannah Smith was Born at East-
ham on the fifteenth day of march anno Domini : 1713/14
Solomon Smith the Son of James and Hannah Smith was Born at
Eastham on the eighth day of march anno domini : 171 $\frac{5}{8}$ †
James Smith the Son of James and Hannah Smith was born at East-
ham on y^e eighth day of april annodom : 1718
Joshua Smith the Son of James and Hannah Smith was born at
Eastham on y^e nineteenth day of July annodomini 1720
Grace Smith the daughter of James and Hannah Smith was Born
at Eastham on y^e Seventeenth day of December Anno 1722
Benjamin Smith the Son of James and Hannah Smith was born at
Eastham on y^e third day of october annodomini 1724
Phinias Smith Son of James & hannah Smith was born the 7th day
of march 1728/9
- [p. 29] Samuel Browne and Martha harding weare married : the : 19th
of februarie : in the year : 1682
Samuel browne a daughter borne named bethiah the : 22nd : of Jen-
uarie : in the year : 1683 and died in June the 27 : in the year :
1685
Samuel browne another daughter borne named bethia the ninth day
of September in the year : 1685
Martha Browne the daughter of Samuel browne was borne June the :
24th in the year of our lord god : 1688 :
Samuel ‡ browne the son of Samuel Browne was borne the 7th day
of November in the year of our lord . 1690
Martha Browne the daughter of Samuel Browne : died on the 4th day
of November in the year . 1691
Samuel Browne senior died on the third day of december in the
year : 1691 being aged about thirty one years
John Walker and Mercy Brown were Married by Joseph Doane
Esqu^r on the 18th Day of october Anno Dom : 1711

* "Hubbert" was crossed out and "Daniel" interlined.

† "1 $\frac{5}{8}$ " over "1 $\frac{6}{8}$."

‡ "Joseph" crossed out and "Samuel" interlined in same hand as original entries.

Samuell Walker the Son of John and Mercy Walker was Born at Eastham on the 3^d day of May anno domini : 1713
 Mercy Walker the Daughter of John and Mercy Walker was Born at Eastham on the fourth day of march anno domini : 1717/18
 John Waker the son of John and Mercy Walker was Born in Eastham on the seventh day of april anno domini : 1720
 Joshua Walker the son of John and Mercy walker was born at Eastham on ye fourth day of march anno domini 1721/2
 Sarah Walker the Daughter of John and Mercy Walker was Born at Eastham on the 25th day of January anno domini 1723/4
 Mehitabel Waker the Daughter of John and Mercy Walker was Born at Eastham on ye fourth day of april anno domini 1728
 John Walker Died January the 28 Day 1760

[p. 30] William Merrick and Abigaell Hopkins weare Married the three and twentieth Day of May in the year 1667
 William Merick a Daughter named Rebecca borne the 28th Day of November 1668

(To be continued.)

GOVERNOR BRADFORD'S LETTER BOOK.

(Continued from page 171.)

THIS next year being Anno. 1626, we sent Mr. Allerton into England, partly to make some supply for us, and to see if he could make any reasonable composition with the adventurers and because we well knew that nothing can be done without money, we gave him an order to procure some, binding ourselves to make payment thereof, as followeth :

Know all men by these presents, that whereas we William Bradford, Governour of Plymouth in New England, and William Brewster, Capt. Miles Standish, Isaac Allerton, Samuel Fuller, Edward Winslow, John Jeney, John Howland, and John Alden; being all inhabitants of Plymouth, aforesaid, are for ourselves, and divers others, our associates, &c. And whereas the said Isaac Allerton (by God's providence) for the necessary occasions of the colony abovesaid, is bound for England; and whereas divers of us above named, have acquainted divers of our worthy and approved friends (by our letters *) with our raw and weak estate, and want of ability of ourselves

* These letters I have not.

to manage so great an action, as the upholding of the plantation aforesaid. If therefore God shall move the heart or hearts of any of our friends, in compassion of our wants and present straits, to lend us above named, the sum of one hundred pounds sterling, for the space of two years, upon any such terms as shall be agreed upon, between him or them and the said Isaac Allerton, our partner and agent, and deliver the same into his hands for our use; that we, the said William Bradford, William Brewster, &c. together with the said Isaac Allerton, do bind ourselves, our heirs, &c. jointly and severally, for the faithful performance of such obligations, conditions, or covenants, as shall be agreed on, &c. In witness whereof, we have put to our hands and seals, this 2d of July, Anno 1626, &c.

Upon this order, he got two hundred pounds, but it was at thirty in the hundred interest, by which appears in what straits we were; and yet this was upon better terms than the goods which were sent us the year before, being at forty-five per cent. so that it was God's marvellous providence, that we were ever able to wade through things, as will better appear if God give me life and opportunity to handle them more particularly, in another treatise more at large, as I desire and purpose (if God permit) with many other things, in a better order.

Besides the obtaining of this money, he with much ado made a composition and agreement with the body of the adventurers, Mr. Allden (something now softened by my letter before mentioned) who was one of our powerfulest opposers, did not only yield thereunto, but was a furtherer of the same. I will shew the heads of it, as it was drawn in a deed as followeth:

To all christian people, to whom this present writing indented shall come greeting,

Whereas, at a meeting the 26th of October last past, divers and sundry persons, whose names to the one part of these presents are subscribed in a schedule hereunto annexed, adventurers to New-Plymouth, in New England in America, were contented and agreed (in consideration of the sum of one thousand and eight hundred pounds sterling, to be paid unto the said adventurers in manner and form following) to sell and make sale of all and every the stocks, shares, lands, merchandize and chattles whatsoever, to the said adventurers and other their fellow adventurers to New Plymouth aforesaid accruing or belonging, to the generality of the said adventurers afore-

said, as well by reasons of any sum or sums of money, or merchandize at any time heretofore adventured by them, or otherwise howsoever; for the better expression and setting forth of which said agreement, the parties to these presents subscribing, do for themselves severally, and as much as in them is, grant, bargain, alien, sell and transfer, all and every the said shares, goods, lands, merchandize and chattles to them belonging as aforesaid, unto Isaac Allerton, one of the planters resident at New Plymouth aforesaid, assigned and sent over as agent for the rest of the planters residing there, and unto such other planters at New Plymouth aforesaid, as the said Isaac Allerton, his heirs or assignees, at his, or their arrival shall by writing or otherwise think fit to join, or partake in the premises, their and every of their heirs and assigns in as large and ample and beneficial manner and form, to all intents and purposes, as the said several subscribing adventurers here could or may do, or perform; all which stocks, shares, lands, &c. to the said adventurers, in severalty allotted, apportioned or belonging; the said adventurers do warrant, and defend unto the said Isaac Allerton his heirs and assigns, against them, their heirs and assigns, by these presents: And therefore, the said Isaac Allerton for him, his heirs and assigns, doth covenant, promise, and grant to and with the said adventurers, whose names are hereunto subscribed, their heirs, &c. well and truly to pay, or cause to be paid unto the said adventurers or five of them, which were at the meeting aforesaid, nominated and deputed, viz. John Pocock, John Beauchamp, Robert Kean, Edward Bass, and James Shirley, their heirs, &c. to, and for the use of the generality of them, the sum of eighteen hundred pounds, of lawful money of England, at the place appointed for the receipts of money, on the west side of the Royal Exchange in London, by two hundred pounds yearly and every year, on the feast day of St. Michael, which shall be in the year 1628: And the said Isaac Allerton, for him, his heirs, &c. doth covenant and grant to, and with the said adventurers, their heirs, &c. to do his, and their good endeavours, to procure, obtain, and get of, and from all the planters, at New Plymouth aforesaid, or so many of them as he or they by persuasion and entreaty can or may, security by several obligations, or writing obligatory, to make payment of the said sum of eighteen hundred pounds, in form aforesaid, according to the true meaning of these presents. In testimony whereof, to this part of these presents, remaining with the said Isaac Allerton, the said subscribing adventurers have set to their names.

&c. And to the other part of these presents remaining with the said adventurers, the said Isaac Allerton hath subscribed his name, the 15th of November, Anno 1626, and in the second year of the reign of our sovereign Lord, King Charles, by the grace of God, King of England, &c: Subscribed thus as followeth :

<i>John White,</i>	<i>Samuel Sharp,</i>	<i>Thomas Hudson,</i>
<i>John Pocock,</i>	<i>Robert Holland,</i>	<i>Thomas Andrews,</i>
<i>Robert Kean,</i>	<i>James Shirley,</i>	<i>Thomas Ward,</i>
<i>Edward Bass,</i>	<i>Thomas Mott,</i>	<i>Fria. Newbald,</i>
<i>William Hobson,</i>	<i>Thomas Fletcher,</i>	<i>Thomas Heath,</i>
<i>William Penington,</i>	<i>Timothy Hatherly,</i>	<i>Joseph Tilden,</i>
<i>William Quarles,</i>	<i>Thomas Brewer,</i>	<i>William Penrin,</i>
<i>Daniel Poynton,</i>	<i>John Thorned,</i>	<i>Eliza Knight,</i>
<i>Richard Andrews,</i>	<i>Myles Knowles,</i>	<i>Thomas Coventry,</i>
<i>Newman Rookes,</i>	<i>William Collier,</i>	<i>Robert Allden,</i>
<i>Henry Browning,</i>	<i>John Revell,</i>	<i>Laurence Anthony,</i>
<i>Richard Wright,</i>	<i>Peter Gudburn,</i>	<i>John Knight,</i>
<i>John Ling,</i>	<i>Ennu. Alltham,</i>	<i>Matthew Thornhill,</i>
<i>Thomas Goffe,</i>	<i>John Beauchamp,</i>	<i>Thomas Millsof,</i>

In all forty-two.

This year, Anno 1627, Mr. Allerton was sent again as for other things, so especially to ratify and confirm this bargain; and for that end we gave him full authority under our hands, and seal, and became bound in several bonds for the payment of the money yearly: So the thing was fully concluded, and the bargain fairly engrossed in parchment, under their hands and seals, as legally and formally done, as by the learnedest lawyers could be devised, as by the deed itself will better appear; which I will not here insert, being long, but the substance may be seen in the former, to which it hath reference; only I will mention this particular clause, how we were bound thereby to forfeit thirty shillings a week, for every week that we failed of due payment, at any the several days. Thus all now is become our own, as we say in the proverb, when our debts are paid. And doubtless this was a great mercy of God unto us, and a great means of our peace and better subsistence, and wholly dashed all the plots and devises of our enemies, both there and here, who daily expected our ruin, dispersion and utter subversion by the same; but their hopes were thus far prevented, though with great care and labour, we were left to struggle with the payment of the money.

(To be continued.)

HARWICH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 90.)

- [p. 65] Nathaneal and mary freemans first daughter was born one July The seventh day In The year 1711 : and she died one August The 25 day 1711
 Prence freeman son to Nathaneall and mary freeman was born one July the 22 day 1712
 mary freeman daughter to Nathaneal and mary freeman was in November 24 day 1714
 Lemuell freeman son to Nathanaell and mary ffreeman was Born in April the : 18 day 1717
 nathanaell and mary ffreeman had a daughter Born 14 day of october 1719 and she died about the 5 day of January following 1719/20
 Sarah hinckley daughter to Shubel and Lidey hinckley was born In march the 2 day 1712/13
 Samuell hinckely son to Shubel and Lidey hinckely was born January the 5 day 1714/15
 Thomas harding son to James and mary harding his wife was born in June 1 day 1725
- [p. 67] June 18th 1713 Then Joshua Banges and mehitable Clark was married In harwich by me Joseph doane Jus^t peace
 Nathan Banges son to Joshua and mehitable Banges was born in november 23 day 1714
 Thomas Banges son to Joshua and mehitable Banges was Born november 28 day 1716
 Thanckfull Banges Daughter to Joshua and mehitable Banges was in November 13 day 1720
 mehitable Nickerson daughter to Samuella and hannah Nickerson was born January 30 day 1708/9
 Shaber Nickerson son to samuella and hannah Nickerson was born August the 26 day 1710
 Samuell Nickerson son to Samuella and hannah Nickerson was born february 22 day 1711/12
 Benjamin Nickerson son to samuella and hannah Nickerson was born in September 1714
 Barnibous Nickerson son to Samuella and hannah Nickerson was Born in November 7 day 1716
 Joshua Nickerson son to samuella and hanah nickerson was born in June 16 day 1719
- [p. 68] Ebenezer Berrey and Rebecah Eldredg wear married the 13th october: 1713

John Jones son to John Jones and marcy Jones his wife was born in January the 22 day 1730/31

[p. 69] Seth Clark son to Thomas and Sarah Clak was born may: 9: day 1709

Isaac Clark son to Thomas and Sarah Clark was born in August the 18: 1710

Content Clark daughter to Thomas and Sarah Clark was born April 23: 1712

Andrew Clark Son to Scotto and mary Clark was born desember 1 day 1707

Scotto Clark Son to Scotto and mary Clark was born November 8 day 1709

mary clark daughter to Scotto and mary Clark was born april the 17 day 1712

Joseph Clark and Benjaman Clark sons to Scotto and mary Clark were both born in January the 8 day 1714/15

Lidea Clark daughter to Scotto and mary Clark was Born march 7 day 1716/17

Nathanaell Clark son to Scotto and mary Clark was in June the 19 day 1719

Sarah Clark Daughter to Scotto and mary Clark was born in September the 18 day 1721

Ebenezer Clark son to Scotto and mary Clark was born in June the 2 day 1723

Seth Clark son to Scotto and mary Clark was born in June the 19 day 1726

[p. 70] hannah Astan daughter to Robart and hannah Astan was born November the 18 day 1712

Elizebeth asten daughter to Robart and hanah Asten was born in June the 15 day 1714 and she died aboute the last of the same month 1714

daved Asten son to Robart and hanah Asten was Born in Septemb[er] the: 17 day 1716 and died october the 2 day 1716

Rebeckah mayo daughter to John and susannah mayo was born in october the 10 day 1713

susannah mayo daughter to John and susannah may was born in march the 13 day 1714/15

Samuell mayo son to John and susannah mayo was born in march 17 day 1717

John mayo son to John and susannah mayo was born in April 11 day 1719

marcy mayo Daughter to John and susannah mayo was born in march 2 day 1721/22

prence mayo son to John and susannah mayo was born in october the 26 day 1723

Benjamin mayo son to John and sussanna mayo was born in september the 23 day 1725

- hannah mayo Daughter to John and susanna mayo was Born in
August the 11 day 1727
- mary mayo Daughter to John and susanna mayo was Born in January
the 23 day 1729/30
- [p. 71] lemuell Berey son to Judah and mary berey was born in
february 21 day 1713/14
- Theophilus Berey son to Judah and mary Berey was born in october
12 day 1715
- mary Berey daughter to Judah and mary Berey was Born december
15 day 1717
- Ruth Berey daughter to Judah and Rebakah Berey his wife was born
march 19 day 1720/21
- hanna Berey daughter to Judah and Rebakah Berey was Born in
marcy Berey daughter to Judah and Rebakah Berey was born in
April the 29 day 1725
- Nathanaell ffreeman son to prence and mary ffreeman was born the
9 day of march 1712/13
- Presello freeman daughter to Prence and mary ffreeman was Born 6
day of may 1714/15
- hatsuld freeman son to Prence and mary freeman was Born march
day 1716/17 Dyed July 1739
- Hannah Freeman Daughter to Prence Freeman & Mary his Wife
born May 31 1739 *
- Mary Freeman Daughte to Prence Freeman & Mary his Wife born
May 1721
- Susanah Freeman Daughte to Prence Freman & Mary his Wif born
May 1723
- Barnabas Freeman Sone of Prence Freeman & Mary his Wife born
Feby 20th 1724/:
- Kezia Freeman Daughte to Prence Freeman & Mary his Wif born
Oct^r 1726
- Moses Freeman Son of Prence Freeman & Mary his Wife born
Nov 11 1730
- Eliza^a Freeman Daughter to Prence Freeman & Mary his Wif born
Oct 15th 1733
- [p. 72] Deborah winge daughter to Ananias and hanah winge was
born in may 1687
- hanah winge daughter to Ananias and hanah winge was born in
August 1690
- Elnathan winge son to Ananias and hanah winge was born in october
the 20 day 1692
- Samuell winge son to Ananias and hanah winge was born in August
1694
- Rachel winge daughter to Ananias and hanah wing was born in
desember 20 day 1697

* Sic.

THE WILL OF JOHN² ROGERS.

Transcribed from the Original Records,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

JOHN ROGERS of Duxbury, the son of Thomas Rogers of the Mayflower, died between 26 August, 1691, the day his will was made, and 20 September, 1692, the day it was proved. All original documents connected with the settlement of the estate have disappeared from the files and there is no record of an inventory. The copy of the will has been made from the Plymouth County Probate Records, Volume I, page 145.

[JOHN² ROGERS' WILL.]

On the 26 August in the year of our Lord 1691:

In the Name of God Amen. I John Rogers sen^r of Duxborough in the County of New Plimouth Being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and perfect mind and memory Praise be therefore Given to Almighty God . Doe make and ordain this my present last will and Testament in maner and forme following that is to say first and Principally I comend my soul into the hands of Almighty God Hoping through the merits Death and Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and to Inherit Everlasting Life. And my Body I Commit to the earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named. And as Touching the Disposall of all Such Temporall Estate as it hath Pleased God to bestow upon me I Give and Dispose thereof as followeth . first I will that my debts and funerall charges be paid .

Item I Give unto my Grandson John Rogers all my houses and Lands Lying and being in the Township of Duxborough in the County aforesaid to him and his heires forever. I Give also unto my Grandson John Tisdall for the use of his mother Anne Terrey one half of my Land Divided and undivided lying and being in the Township of Middleborough Excepting my Right in the Majors Purchase And my Will is that this Land be disposed of according to his mothers mind. Item I Give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Williams the other half of sd tract

of Land in the Township of Middleborough as aforesaid to her and heires. All my Cattell I Will that they be Equally divided Between my daughter Elizabeth Williams and my Grandson John Rogers and my Grandson John Tisdall. Item I Give all my household Stuff and moneys whatsoever . unto my Grandson John Rogers out of which he shall pay forty shillings to his sister Elibeth * Rogers and twenty shillings apeece to his other three sisters Hannah Bradford Ruth Rogers and Sarah Rogers. Also I Give that twenty shillings a year which is my due for fourscore acres of land which I sold to my two Grandsons Joseph Richmond and Edward Richmond which said twenty shillings a year I Give to my daughter Abigail Richmond. I Doe hereby Constitute make and appoint my Loving Son John Rogers sole Executor and Administrator of this my last Will and Testament.

Signed Sealed in
the presence of
Rhodolphus Thacher
Mary Wadsworth
Elisha Wadsworth

John Rogers & a (seal)

M^r Rhodolphus Thacher and Elisha Wadsworth two of the witness herein named made oath before the Court at Plimouth the 20th of Sept^r 1692 that they were present and Saw and heard the above named John Rogers the Testator Sign Seal and Declare the above written to be his last will and testament and that to the best of their Judgment he was of sound mind and memory when he did the same

Attest Sam^l Sprague Clerk

PLYMPTON, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from page 184.)

[p. 154] the Child of John everson by Elizebeth his wife

Elizebeth Everson was Born sept^r 13th 1707

The Children of Richard everson by Elizebeth his wife

Benjamin Everson was born Janewary 26th 1711

Samuel Bryant, whose Children are below, Said Samuel Bryant was a Deacon of the Church in Plympton, and was a Son of Lt. John Bryant and Abigail his wife of Plympton. Said Lt. John Bry-

* Sic.

*ant was a Son of John Bryant of Scituate and Mary his wife who was a daughter of George Lewis of Scituate, afterwards of Barnstable.**

Samuell Briants Children by Johanah his wife .

Lidia Briant was born March y^e 16th 1708

Salvanus Briant was born aprill 8th 1710

These Children were born after Plympton became a town, in 1707.

The other Children of this family were, Samuel, born May 14, 1699 — Joanna, born March 1, 1701/2 — Abigail, born July 5, 1703, which were recorded at Plymouth. Nathaniel, born in 1712, and he was a Deacon of the Church in Plympton. Also Elizabeth born between Abigail and Lydia.

Dea. Samuel Bryant, the Father, died in Plympton, March 3, 1750, aged 76 years and 1 month.

Joanna, his wife, died in Plympton, December 18, 1736, in the 65th year of her age.

the Children of James Sturtevant by Susanah his wife

Francis Sturtevant was born Janewary 15th 1711

Caleb Sturtevant was born March y^e 16th 171⁵/₈

James Sturtevant was born Sep^t y^e 15th 1718

Susanah Sturtevant was born febr^y y^e 4th 17³/₄

Lidia Sturtevant was born March y^e 2^d 1723/4

the Children of John Cole sen and Susanah his wife born in plim

Joseph Cole was born february 14th 170⁵/₈

Benjamin Cole was born february 15th 170⁷/₈

Elizebeth Cole was born June 4th 1710

Mr John Cole, the Father, died March 14, 1723/4 . in the 63^d year of his age.

Mr^s Susanna Cole, his wife, died August 26, 1727, in the 59th year of her age. She was the daughter of Edward Gray of Plymouth by Dorothy his Second wife.

The Children of James Whiton by Mary his wife

Marry whiton born Sep^t 2^d 1710

James whiton was born September y^e : 19th : 1712

Mathew whiton was born March y^e : 4th 1714 171³/₄

Susanah witon was born feb. 24th 1716

Jael witon born Sep^t y^e 12th 1718

Nathan whiton was born Janewary the 13th 17²/₈

Cornelias whiton was born May y^e 3^d 1723

The Children of Eleazer Rickard by Sarah his wife

Tabatha Rickard was born aprill 1707

Joanah Rickard was born october 1709

Eleazer Rickard was born June y^e 14th 1712 *He died of the small pox in 1777, in his 66th year.*

[p. 155] The Child of Mr Joseph Thomas by Hanah his wife

* Entries in italics are additions to the original records by Lewis Bradford, town clerk, 1812-1851.

Joseph Thomas was born augst y^e 29th 1725 and died augst y^e 6th 1727
 The Child of Samuel Barrows by Lidia his wife
 Samuel Barrows was born march y^e 8th 1723/4
 Child of william Churchel by Ruth his wife
 Johanah Churchel was born May y^e 22^d 1727 and died august 16th
 1728
 The Children of Ignatius Loring by sarah his wife
 Mary Loring was born January 31th 1725
 Caleb Loring was born July 19th 1727
 Caleb Loring was born March 9th 1724/5 and died March 26th 1725
 [S]arah Loring was born october 11th 1731

[p. 156] The Children of Ignatius Cushing By Ruth his wife
 Ignatius Cushing was Born Nov^{br} 8th 1720
 Thomas Cushing was Born decem^{br} th* 1722 and lived aboute 9
 m[*worn*]
 Nath^{ll} Cushing was Born January 19th 1723
 Ruth Cushing was Born february 14th 1725
 Ruth Cushing was Born att plymouth Nov^{br} [*illegible*] 1719 and
 Lived about three months and then died in the night in the
 bed between them
 Rachel Cushing was born april 12th 1728
 Mary Cushing was born march 7th 1729/30
 The Children of Benjamin weston by hannah his wif[e]
 Benjamin weston was Born January 12th 1723/4
 Joshua weston was Born May 23^d 1725
 hannah weston was born February 10th 1728/9
 Daughter of Benjamin Weston by . Hannah . his Wife was Born
 Feb^{br} 10 . 1726 . & Deceased . 5 . day of . march 1726
 The Children of Jonathan Sampson by Joannah his w[ife]
 Mary Sampson was born July 6th 1722
 Joannah Sampson was born July 31th 1723
 priscilla Sampson was born april 14th 1726
 Abigal Sampson was born april 12th 1727
 Jonathan samson was born 3^d aprill 1729
 Bethiah Samson was born aprill 22 : 1731

[p. 157] Susannah Shurtleff the daughter of Barnabas Shurtleff and
 Jemima his wife was born January 12th 1727/8
 the Children of Barnabas Attwood by Lydia his wife
 hannah attwood was born octo^{br} 17th 1724
 Elizabeth attwood was born nov^{br} 21th 1726
 Isaac attwood was born nov^{br} 12th 1728
 the Children of mozes Cushman by mary his wife
 abner Cushman was born march 10th 1722
 Elijah Cushman was born 14th of february 1724/5 and died 6th of
 January 1725/6

mary Cushman was born Septem^{br} 21^d* 1725
 sarah Cushman was born october 20th 1727
 Isaac Cushman was born february 19 1730
 the Children of william Ripley by Hannah his wife *Her maiden
 Name was Hannah Bosworth.*
 william Ripley was born July 3^d 1726
 sarah Ripley was born January 22^d 1728
 the births of some of the Children of Job Simons by Hannah his
 wife

Hannah simons was born october 18th 1721
 [worn] [Sim]ons was born January 21th 1723

[p. 158] The Children of Moses Sturtevant by Elizabeth his w[ife]
 Abigail Sturtevant was born August 6th 1721
 Joseph Sturtevant was born Nov^{br} 1th 1723 and died February 22^d
 1724/5

Moses Sturtevant was born August 4th 1725
 Marcy Sturtevant and Elizabeth † Sturtevant both born att a birth
 January 4th 1727/8
 Sarah fuller the daughter of Seth fuller and deborah hi[s] wife was
 born January 27th 1727/8

The Children of Isaac wright by mary his wife
 [worn]usannah wright was born december 9th 1719

[J]oseph wright was born June 16th 1721
 mary wright ‡ was born January 30th 1726
 Isaac Wright was born Sep^r 3 . 1736

Ruth Cushman alias Ruth Sturtevant the daughter of mary Cushman
 was born agust 14th 1727

[t]he Children of Nath^{ll} Attwood by Mary his wife

Mary Attwood § was born decem^{br} 9th 1723
 Nath^{ll} attwood was born decem^{br} 11th 1725
 Frances Attwood was born May th || 1728

[p. 159] Elisha washbourn and martha Perkins ware marriedy Jann-
 uary 15th 1728/9 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
 Nehemiah Bozworth and Sarah Tomson ware marriedy march 26th
 1729 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
 Barnabas Rayment and allice Bent ware marriedy may 8th 1729 p^r
 m^r Isaac Cushman
 David Churchel and mary magoon ware marriedy aprill 17 1729 p^r
 m^r Isaac Cushman
 James Fuller and mercy Perkins ware marriedy may 22^d 1729 p^r m^r
 Isaac Cushman

* "1" written over "3."

† "Lucy" crossed out and "Elizabeth" interlined.

‡ "Cole" crossed out and "wright" interlined.

§ "adams" has been erased. || Sic.

- Elkanah Rickard and Keturah bishup ware marryed august 25th 1729
 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- Policarpus Loring and mary brick ware marryed September 17 1729
 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- Jabez Edy and Patience Pratt ware marryed october 16 1729 p^r m^r
 Isaac Cushman
- Joseph Dunbar and Elizabeth Cole ware marryed october 30th 1729
 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- nath^l Spooner and Phebe Cushman ware marryed nob^r 6 1729 p^r
 m^r Isaac Cushman
- Benjamin Rickard and Thankfull Pincheon ware marryed February
 12th 1729/30 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- Ebenezer bryant and Elizabeth King ware marryed marc[h] 19th
 1729/30 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- william Boney and Patience mory ware maryed 16th of June p^r m^r
 Isaac Cushman
- Benjamin Soul and Hannah whittman ware marryed march th 31
 1730 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- [p 160] Theophlus Crocker and Lydia Edy ware marryed 19 no
 1730 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- Thomas samson and Lydia bryant ware marryed novembr 16 1730
 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman
- Solomon macfarlen and desire sturtevant ware marryed 3^d day of
 december 1730 p^r m^r Isaac Cushman

(*To be continued.*)

THE SETTLEMENT OF EDWARD² DOTY'S ESTATE.

Transcribed from the Original Records.

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

Edward² Doty (*Edward*¹) died intestate on 8 February, 1689/90, and his wife Sarah (Faunce) Doty was appointed administratrix on 18 March 1689/90. On the third of December, 1696, the widow having married again and died in the meantime, the surviving heirs made a final settlement of the estate. The inventory, the appointment of the administratrix and the agreement of the heirs are recorded in the Plymouth County Probate Records, Volume I, pages 53 and 251. The only original document connected with this estate remaining in the files is the bond of the administratrix, which was not recorded.

[THE INVENTORY.]

[p. 53] An Inventory of the Estate of Edward Doten Sen^r late of Plimouth Deceased taken and aprised by us whose names are here unto subscribed on y^e 3^d of march 16⁸⁹/₉₀ his wearing cloaths and some Bedding were lost when he was Drowned.

Imp's In one Bed and furniture to it at	.4
Item in one ffeather Bed and Bedding to it at	.4
Item in one old Bed and 5 sheets at	.3
Item in Table linnen and Pillowbeeres at	.1 .6 . .
Item in armes and Amunition at	.4
Item in Pewter and Brass at	.1 19 . .
Item in Iron Pots and Kettles and one pair of stilyards at	.1 .3 . .
Item in Bookes	. . 10 . .
Item in flax teere and Yarn linnen and woollen	.1 .5 . .
Item in new Cloath Linnen & woollen and Cotton & sheeps wooll	.2 17 . .
Item in housing and all his upland and meadow in Plimouth at	60
Item in one great Table a Chist and Boxes at	.1 17 . .
Item in a Little Table and Chaires at	. . 10 . .
Item in Box iron & heaters axes hoes tramel Pot hooks & tongs	.1
Item in Cattle sheep swine and a horse at	19
Item in wooden Dishes Pailes and Glass Bottles at	. . .8 . .
Item in one Canooe horse Geeres little Plow a bridle and Saddle	.2
Item in old Cask and old lumber at	.1
Item in 3 Spinning wheeles and old Cards at	. . 12 . .
Item in Debts the Estate oweth	11 12 .6
More the Estate oweth	.5 18 . .
John Doten.	
James Warrin.	

Sarah Dotey Relict Widdow of Edward Dotey late of Plimouth Deceased made oath before the County Court at Plimouth the 18th of March 16⁸⁹/₉₀ That the above written is a true Inventory of the Estate of the said Edward Dotey Deceased So far as she Knoweth and that if more shall be made known unto her she will Discover it

Attest Sam^l Sprague Clerk

[APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATRIX.]

Administration is Granted by the Court unto Sarah Dotey Relict widdow of Edward Dotey late of Plimouth aforesd De-

ceased to administer on the Estate of sd Deceased She having given Bond to administer according to law and Render account of her administration to the said Court when leagally Required

Attest Sam^l Sprague Clerk

[BOND OF ADMINISTRATRIX.]

At a County Court held at Plimouth March 18th 16 ^{$\frac{3}{9}$} ₀
Memorandum.

There Came personally before the Court Sarah Dotey Relict widdow of Edward Dotey late of Plimouth Deceased and Thomas ffaunce and John Dotey all of sd Plimouth and acknowledged themselves their Executors & Administrators to stand bound unto the said Court in the Several Sums hereafter mentioned that is to say the said Sarah as principle in the Sum of thirty pounds and the S^d Thomas and John as s[*worn*] Each of them in the Sum of fiftene pounds; to be levied on their lands Goods and Chattels : &c

On Condition that whereas the S^d Sarah Dotey hath obtained and taken power of Administration upon the Estate of her late husband Edward Dotey aforesd Deceased . if there fore she the said Sarah shall Administer thereon according to law and Render up account of her s^d Administration to S^d Court when leagally Required of her and in all things Do & act in sd Respect as the law Enjoins that then &c :

This Recognzance Taken before the above sd Court

Attest Sam^l Sprague Clerk

[AGREEMENT OF THE HEIRS.]

[p. 251] These presents Witnesseth y^e Mutual agreement of Such of y^e children of Edward Dotey late of Plimouth within y^e County of Plimouth in New England Deceased Intestate, as are of full age and Capacity to act for themselves and y^e Gaurdians of Such of them as are in their Minority Whose names are herein Expressed And who have under Subscribed Relating to a Settlement and Division of y^e Estate of sd Deceased to and among his sd Children That is to say y^e Agreement of James Warren and Sarah his Wife Martha Dotey Mary Dotey Tobias Oaksman and Elizabeth his Wife And Thomas ffaunce and John Dotey Gaurdians of and in the Behalf of Samuel Dotey Benjamin Dotey and Mercy Dotey as followeth that is to say that y^e sd Sarah Martha Mary and Elizabeth for their full part portion and part of y^e Estate of y^e sd Deceased Shall

have and henceforth Enjoy All that the fifty Acres of land and three acres of Meadow at or near Monponset in y^e Township of Plimouth And one other parcell of land which sd Deceased while he lived bought of M^r William Crow at a place Called Atwoods Swamp in sd plimouth together also With all y^e Goods and Chattels or Cattell that now Remains of y^e Estate of sd Deceased And also y^e Sum or value of four pounds out of y^e Rents or proffits of y^e Housing of sd Deceased All y^e afore mentioned Lands goods & Chattels to be long and appertain unto y^e said Sarah Warren Martha Dotey Mary Dotey & Elizabeth Oaksman their Severall heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns for Ever And nextly it is hereby agreed That the said Samuel Benjamin and Mercy for their full part portion & share of the Estate of sd Deceased Shall hereafter have and Enjoy all y^e Residue of y^e sd Estate that is to say particularly the Housing House Lott or Homestead of sd Deceased in y^e Town of Plimouth aforesaid according to y^e known & accustomed Boundaries of y^e same Together with all that parcell of meadow pertaining to y^e Estate of y^e sd Deceased at y^e South meadow within y^e Township of plimouth aforesaid All w^{ch} aforesaid Housing Homestead and parcell of Meadow last mentioned to belong and Appertain to the said Samuel Dotey Benjamin Dotey & Mercy Dotey their Severall Heirs and Assigns for Ever In Testimony Whereof the sd James Warren and Sarah his wife Martha Dotey Mary Dotey Tobias Oaksman & Elizabeth his wife And Thomas ffaunce and John Dotey Gaurdians for & of the sd Samuel Dotey Benjamin Dotey and Mercy Dotey have here unto set their Severall hands and Seals this third Day of December In y^e year of our Lord God one thousand Six hundred ninety and Six 1696.

In y^e presence of
these Witnesses
John Morton
James Barnabee

James Warren & a Seal
The mark of Sarah Warren & Seal
The mark of Martha Dotey & a seal
The mark of Mary Dotey & a seal
The mark of Tobias Oaksmand
and a Seal.
The mark of Elizabeth Oaksman
& a Seal
Thomas ffaunce and a Seal
The mark of John Dotey and a seal

Memorandum that upon y^e third Day of December 1696 the above named partyes who have hereunto sealed & Subscribed y^t is to say James Warren and Sarah his wife Martha Dotey

Mary Dotey Tobias Oaksman & Elizabeth his wife & Thomas ffaunce & John Dotey Gaurdians of Samuel Dotey Benjamin Dotey & Mercy Dotey Came all of them Personally before me y^e Subscriber judge of probate & acknowledged y^e abovesd Agreement to be their act & Deed and I do allow & approve of y^e same as a finall Settlement And partition of y^e Estate of y^e above named Edward Dotey Deceased

William Bradford.

Entered January 2^d 169⁸ p^r Sam^l Sprague Regist^r.

PLYMOUTH FIRST CHURCH RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, p. 217.)

In 1676 : the Lords supper was six times, five members were admitted, 24 children were baptized.

The war continuing & also sicknesse, the chh set apart April, 19 : for a fasting & prayer, & also May, 30 : for the same grounds.

The Generall Court in June, being sensible of the heavy hand of God upon the country in the continuance of war with the heathen appointed a day of Humiliation to be kept, 22 day of it & added thereto a solemne motion to all our ches to renew a covenant engagement to God for Reformation of all provoking evils. The chh attended that day of Prayer & then the Elders appointed a chh-meeting to be on June, 29 : The church then all met ; our chh meetings were ever begun & ended with prayer, (the Pastor ordinarily beginning & the Elder concluding therewith) After Prayer for Gods direction & blessing in soc solemne a matter, A church-covenant was read, & the chh voted that it should be left on record as that which they did owne to be the substance of that Covenant which their Fathers entered into at the first gathering of the church, which was in these words following,

[p. 5] In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ & in obedience to his holy will & divine ordinances.

Wee being by the most wise & good providence of God brought together in this place & desirous to unite our selves into one congregation or church under the Lord Jesus Christ our Head, that it may be in such sort as becometh all those whom He hath redeemed & sanctified to himselfe, wee doe

hereby solemnly & religiously (as in his most holy prescence) avouch the Lord Jehovah the only true God to be our God & the God of ours & doe promise & binde ourselves to walke in all our wayes according to the Rule of the Gospel & in all sincere conformity to His holy ordinances & in mutuall love to & watchfullnesse over one another, depending wholly & only upon the Lord our God to enable us by his grace hereunto.

Then serious Enquiry was made, in what particulars there might be found amongst us a violation of this holy covenant & any unanswerable walking thereunto?

Then followed a Proposall, whether wee were all willing to renew our Covenant for Reformation?

The Aged, godly Elder spake his minde particularly to these things, & then the Pastor (whom the Elder had before desired to draw up an Instrument sutable to the purpose) read a paper in which were mentioned, wherein our violations of Covenant had bin & our Engagement for Reformation was contained, which the whole chh did well approve of, & concluded as soone as wee could conveniently to appoint a day of Humiliation wherein to attend Renewall of Covenant; Further, appointing July, 10: for all the children of the chh to come together before the Elders on that account, which they very readily & universally did at the time appointed; the Elders then asked them, 1: whether they did owne their interest in the covenant of their fathers? to which, they all freely answered in the Affirmative. 2: whether they would endeavour to stirre up themselves in the use of all due meanes for obtaining the good & blessings of that Covenant? then the Pastor read a Paper, containing many evills the guilt of which might be found amongst them & also their desires & promise of Reformation, to be visibly manifested, they all manifested a compliance therewith, & the compleating of the matter was reserved till the day of Humiliation. The chh set apart July, 18: for this service; the morning was spent in prayer & preaching by the Pastor, whose Text was in Psal: 56: 12: 13: in the Afternoone the Elder began with Prayer & was large in it, then wee proceeded to a renewall of Covenant, first the Paper was read that concerned the members in full communion, in these words following.

[p. 6] Whereas the Holy & Righteous God hath many wayes in yeares lately past changed the course of his favourable dispensations towards us & manifested sad signes of his displeasure against us, wee desire to be deeply humbled in his sight under his mighty hand & to reflect upon our owne hearts

& wayes with serious Consideration, whereby wee see abundant cause to Judge our selves as being guilty of many evils for which the Lord may Justly be provoked to avenge the quarrell of his Covenant upon us. In particular, Wee doe acknowledge wee have greatly lost our first love to & pretious esteem of the Gospel & ordinances of the Lord Jesus, which hath too evidently appeared, partly in our remisnesse in coming to ordinances, partly in our listlesse & sluggish attendance upon them, as also by our barrenesse & unfruitfullnesse under meanes of grace, neither have wee maintained & kept up the life & power of Godlynesse as wee ought to have done, wee have also polluted the Holy Sabbaths of the Lord our God, as other wayes, soe very much by impertinent communication thereupon, yea the loosnesse of our conversations soe unbecoming the Gospel of Christ is a Testimony against us that wee have backslidden from the Lord, wee have sadly mispent our pretious time & omitted our Duty to God & to our relations by frequenting such places & companyes not becoming christians to delight in, wee have too much allowed our selves in unbrotherly chidings & contendings one with another & have let the sun goe downe too often upon our wrath, wee have bin too unfaithfull in our words & promises & engagements one unto another, having not considered one another to provoke to love & good workes, nor watched over the soules one of another, in faithfull reproofes for sin as ought to have bin & in the use of all other meanes for our mutuall edification in faith & holinesse: Wee have also too much set our hearts upon the world & creature-comforts & vanities & have too much conformed to the world; we have also bin too remisse in family-instruction & government, not minding the good of the soules of those committed to our charge as wee ought to have done; And although God hath greatly afflicted us for our many swerings from him, yet wee have not bin soe affected with his heavy hand as to reforme those evils for which he hath bin contending with us.

For these & other evils that might be mentioned, wee desire to lye in the dust before God & to abhorre our selves & unfeignedly to repent in his sight & humbly to acknowledge that God is Just & righteous in all the evils wee have bin visited with, yea that He hath punished us far lesse then our iniquities doe deserve; And wee doe in the prescence of God & of his Holy Angels professe our sincere desires that these & all other evils in our hearts & lives may be reformed, And doe therefore renew an holy covenant with the Lord our God & one with another this day, hereby solemnly engaging our

selves in the strength of divine grace (without which [p. 7] wee can doe nothing) to put forth our utmost endeavours for a thorough Reformation of evill both in our selves & others in our severall capacitie[s] according to the relations that are upon us towards God & one unto another, & also to walke together before God in a professed subiection to all his holy ordinances according to the Rule of the Gospel & in Brotherly love & holy watchfullnesse to the mutuall succour & building up of one another in the faith & fellowship of the Lord Jesus.

This being read, the church was called upon to manifest their consent thereunto by standing up, which all both Elders & Bretheren & sisters did.

(To be continued.)

JOSEPH² BRADFORD'S WILL AND THE REASONS FOR NOT APPROVING IT.

Transcribed from the Original Documents,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

JOSEPH² BRADFORD (*Governor William*¹) lived in that part of Plymouth which was set off in 1726 as the town of Kingston, and he died there 10 July, 1715, in the eighty-fifth year of his age according to the inscription on his gravestone on Burial Hill at Plymouth. His wife, who survived him fifteen years, was Jael Hobart, the daughter of Rev. Peter Hobart of Hingham, Mass.

The index of the Plymouth County Probate Records and Files contained no reference to any settlement of Joseph² Bradford's estate, therefore I was much surprised, while examining in the Registry of Probate at Plymouth some miscellaneous papers which had never been recorded or indexed, to find a will with his autograph signature, also an inventory of his estate and the other documents which are here presented. These papers are now docketed and indexed.

The reasons for the refusal to approve the will are so clearly stated in the Memorandum of the Judge of Probate it would be superfluous to repeat them here.

[JOSEPH^s BRADFORD'S WILL.]

The eight day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twelve I Joseph Bradford of the town & County of Plimoth in Her Majesties Province of y^e Massachusetts bay in New England planter, being in some Measure of bodily health: of a Sound mind & Memory do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner and forme following. In the first and Chief place I Resign & bequeth my Soul into the hands of God who gave it my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried. And as to my temporal Estate I give, bequeath and dispose thereof as followeth

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my dear and loveing wife Jael Bradford & to my Son Elisha Bradford all my household goods & debts whatsoever Item I give and bequeath unto Jael Bradford my wife her heirs and assignes forever one halfe part of all my housing and lands forever with all & every of their appurtenances . Item I give and bequeath to my son Elisha Bradford the other halfe part of all my lands and houses to him the Said Elisha Bradford his heires and assignes forever. Also I do Constitute and appoint my beloved wife Jael Bradford to be the Executrix and my son Elisha Bradford to be the Executor of this my last will & testament finally I do hereby Revoke and disanul all former wills by me made and in testimony that this is my last will and testament I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seale the day & yeare above written

Signed Sealed & Declared
by the said Joseph Bradford
to be his last will & testament
in the presence of us the
Subscribers
David Hobart
Elisha stetson
wrrastling bruster

Joseph Bradford (Seal)

[THE INVENTORY.]

A Inventory of the Estate of m^r Joseph bradford late of Plymoth In the County of Plymoth in New england desesed taken the 27 day of July anno dominy 1715 by us hows names are underwritten

	l	s	d
To wering Cloathes at	10	00	00
To bookes	10	00	00
To beeds and shets and other bed cloths	50	00	00
To Plate and mony	10	00	00
To bras and Peuter and Earthenware	09	18	00
To Ironware and Pots	04	00	00
To tabeel linen	06	14	00
To Hors furneiture	02	00	00
To Chiestes and tables and old lumber	06	10	00
To Sheeps wooll	01	01	00
To five pare of Stockens	01	00	00
To Neet Cattel and one mare	51	00	00
To Swine	02	05	00
To Sheepe	06	00	00
To all the lands and meddoes and housing at	1606	00	00
To two goons	01	10	00
The Sum totall at	1777	18	00

Eleazer Cushman
Joseph Stockbridge

Plim ss on the 19th day of october 1715 Mrs Jael Bradford & her son Elisha Bradford made oath that the abovewritten is a true Inventory of the Estate of M^r Joseph Bradford deceased so far as they Know & That when they Know of More will Cause it to be added

before me Nathaniel Thomas Judge of Probats

[TESTIMONY OF DAVID HOBART.]

I David Hobart testifie that m^r Joseph Bradford deces^d desired me to write him a will which I did according to his directions & being Read to him he signed sealed the same & declared it to be his last will & testament, and when he so did he was of a disposing Judgment and memory to my best knowledge, the said will baring date the eight day of october one thousand seven hundred and twelve and this will was presented to the Hon^{bl} Judge of probate for the Conty of Plymoth

Taken upon oath October the 19th 1715 before me

Nathaniel Thomas Judge of Probats

[TESTIMONY OF ELISHA STETSON AND WRESTLING BREWSTER.]

Elisha Stetson & Wrastling Bruster made oath That they were prsent & Saw M^r Joseph Bradford Sign seale & heard him Declare the abovewritten Instrument to be his last Will &

Testament but Can not say that when he so did he was of a disposing mind & Memory

Taken upon oath October the 19 . 1715 before me

Nathaniel Thomas Judge of Probats

on wensday the Court in december is appointed to Argue the Probate of M^r Joseph Bradfords Will.

Memorand that Elisha Stetson & Wrestling Brewster at the first Presenting the said Will to the said Judge declared unto him; That the said Instrument was not Read to the said Joseph Bradford in their hearing at the time when he signed & sealed & Declared the same to be his Will.

[TESTIMONY OF EPHRAIM LITTLE.]

I Ephraim Little Of plymouth being subpenaed Do Testify and Declare, that some years Ago M^{rs} Jael Bradford then the wife of M^r Joseph Bradford Came to my house & Gave mee a paper inclosed .but not Sealed & Desired mee to Seal it & take it into my Custody, Telling me it was her husbands Will, I accordingly tooke it & Laid it up . but after sometime Upon Something I had heard I Opened s^d Will and Readd it and Indeed was very Much surprized to see that M^r Bradford having but one son should make his Will & not give any of his lands to him & thereupon resolved to Lett M^r Bradford know I had Opened the Will & Give him my thoughts about it . accordingly putt y^e will into my pockett & went to M^r Bradfords . and mett wth him Walking in his pasture Alone. I presently Gave him An Acc^t of my business & Desired him to reconsider his Will & whether he had Just Cause to disinherit his son he told mee he had given all his lands to his son only reserving to his Wife, y^e Improv^t Of one half during her life Upon that I told him he was und^r a great Mistake & took out y^e will to read to him to convince him of his Mistake but he replyed No lets go into y^e house & it shall be read before her. I suppose Meaning his Wife. Accordingly Wee went in & as soon as M^r Bradford came in (what sayth he! M^r Little sayth I have given all y^e lands to you & seem^d pretty Much disturbed his Wife endeavoured to pacify him & desired mee to sit down I did so he Desired mee to read y^e Will upon w^{ch} I tooke it out and was ging to read it w^{ch} M^{rs} Bradford Objected Against alledging it was not Convenient it should be read but M^r Bradford (wth some heat) s^d it shou^d be read, upon w^{ch} I desired

M^{rs} Bradford to give her reasons why shee thought not convenient and it may be wⁿ wee had heard them M^r Bradford would not desire the reading of it, shee seem^d not very forward in giving any Reason; M^r Bradford still Insisted upon y^e reading it. & at last M^{rs} Bradford offered this reason that viz. that it would be more Convenient to lett it alone to another time that y^e man that wrote it might read it to her husband To w^{ch} I thus Replied, said I M^{rs} I do not know who y^e man was that wrote this will but whoever it was I am afraid he has read it once to y^r husband and read it wrong & therefore I'll now read it to him & read it right & Imediatly began to read, shee seem^d Much Disturb^d at it & so did M^r Bradford too wⁿ I came to that paragraph y^t related To y^e disposall of y^e land & Interrupted mee & said it was none of his Will & it should be burnt & that he never sett his hand to it. upon that I look^d on his name & held y^e paper to him telling him I believed it was his own hand, he replied that if so they gave him another to read & made him putt his hand to this for this was not y^e paper he read, & Was very much disturbed ab^t y^e matter, & utterly disclaimed it to be his Will After some time I having y^e will still in my hands M^{rs} Bradford desired mee to give it to her but I refused it at w^{ch} shee seem^d Angry: I told her if M^r Bradford desired it I would give it to him; shee faulted mee much for Opening it I told her I would not Justify my Opening it but If I had done amiss I must beg M^r Bradfords pardon & not hers. he replied he was glad I Opened it & there was a good providence in it. after wee had sat a while M^r Bradford desired y^e Will of mee I readily gave it to him. presently his Wife desired him to give it to her to Lay up. but he refused it; but before I came away shee obtained it of him telling him if there was any thing Amiss in it it should be rectified.

This is the substance of w^t I know ab^t y^s Matter.

Octob^r 19 . 1715

Eph. Little

Plimouth ss on the 22^d day of December Annqe Dom 1715
M^r Ephraim Little made oath to the truth of the above & before
written before me

Nathaniel Thomas Judge of Probates

& the s^d Ephraim Little Do further Testify that being sometime the last summ^r at y^e house of M^r Joseph Bradford deceased and having some discourse wth M^{rs} Bradford I heard M^r Bradford say to his wife why Do you trouble M^r Little ab^t it I always Intended to give my lands To my son

Plim ss on the 22^d day of December . 1715 The above named EPhraim little made oath to the Truth of the above-written

before me Nathaniel Thomas Judge of Probats

[TESTIMONY OF ELEAZER CUSHMAN.]

Eleaz^r Cushman of full Age being supenaed testifyeth & Saith that sometime in Octo^{br} 1713 as I take it . I being in the morning at y^e house of M^r Joseph Bradford Deceased M^r David Hobert was there & y^e s^d hobert & I fell into discourse about the opening of s^d Bradfords former Will and the Misinterpreting & holding forth that y^e s^d M^r Bradford had given his Estate from his son to y^e Hobarts . and at that time I heard s^d hobart say he wrote s^d Will & did it according to M^r Bradfords direction and that s^d Bradford liked & Approved it : in our s^d Discourse the s^d M^r Bradford broke in upon us & s^d M^r Little had done very ill in his reporting about y^t Matt^r for s^d he I Do Intend my son Elisha shall have all my lands and I was informed by Elisha Stetson that M^r Bradford had Just before signed his Will . and that he & Wrestle Brewster had signed as Witnesses to it & furth^r sayth not

Plim ss on the 22^d day of December Annoq Dom 1715 M^r Eliezar Cushman made oth to the truth of the abovewritten
before me Nathaniel Thomas Judge of Probates

[MEMORANDUM OF JUDGE OF PROBATE.]

Septemb^r Court 1715.

These p^rsents sheweth,

The Reasons Wherefore the Judge of Probats for the County of Plimouth Could not Approve the Instrument p^rsented to him by M^{rs} Jael Bradford as her late Husbands Will.

Before the said Instrument was Exhibited to the said Judge Major John Bradford desired him That when his uncle M^r Joseph Bradfords Will was Exhibitted he might be p^rsent & hear it Read before it was Proved

Accordingly when M^{rs} Jael Bradford Relict widow of the said M^r Joseph Bradford Came before the said Judge to Exhibit her said Husbands Will . Major Bradford was sent for & then the said Instrument or writing was Read. And then the said Maj^r Bradford said That Instrument or writing was not his uncles Will . but his Aunts Will . & Entred a Cavit with the Judge against the Probate therof untill he should be further heard & bring in his Witnesses against the Probate therof

Elisha Stetson & Wrestling Brewster two of the Witnesses named in the said Will being p^rsent were asked by the Judge whether that writing was Read to M^r Joseph Bradford before he signed it they Answered it was not Read to him in their hearing

Then the Judge told M^{rs} Jael Bradford it was Nessesary her Brother M^r Hobart the other Witness should Come & Testify whether the said Writing was Read to her husband before he signed it And so the Matter was deferred untill M^r David Hobart should Come & on the 19th day of october 1715 . the said Hobart & the other Witnesses Came before the Judge & gave their severall Testimonys to the said Writing which are on file

Maj^r John Bradford being then p^rsent said some of his Witnesses Could not be then had & Prayed a further time might be appointed for to Argue the Probate of the said Will before it was allowed And accordingly wenesday the Court in december was appointed for both partys to be p^rsent to argue & Prove what Each thought fit for & against the Probate of the said Will.

At which day Maj^r Bradford appearing & M^{rs} Jael Bradfords brother in Law & a kinsman of hers on her behalf And Maj^r Bradford then Produced his Witnesses who being all Sworn that Matter was Argued on both sids & a full hearing had

The said Judge Declared that he Could not approve nor allow the said Writing to be the Will of the said deceased M^r Joseph Bradford And his Reasons are as follows viz

1 because it was Evident by the Testimoney of M^r Ephraim Little that the said M^r Joseph Bradford was deceived in a former will written by the said David Hobart brother to the said Jael And the said M^{rs} Bradford Promoting it & declaring it to be her husbands Will . when (as he after said) it was not his Will.

2 That by this Will or writing the on half of M^r Joseph Bradfords lands will Probably fall to the Hobarts therefore the said David Hobart not so fit for a Witness or Scribe therof.

3 The other two Witnesses Cannot say he was of a disposing mind & memory when he signed it.

4 By M^r Eliazer Cushmans Testimony (a man also of known Integrity) It is Evedent that Either he the said M^r Joseph Bradford was non Sane Memori or that he was agen deceived in this as in his former Will when he signed it . by his saying he would give all his lands to his son . when but a few hours before he had signed his Will & therin gave half his lands to his wife- & her heires & asigns for Ever.

Note That Mrs Jael Bradford nor any in her behalf ever moved to the said Judge any appeal from the afores^d sentence.

Nathaniel Thomas J. Probats

EDWARD WINSLOW.

COMMUNICATED BY WINSLOW WARREN.

No historian of the Pilgrims of Plymouth would fail to assign to Edward Winslow a prominent place as one of their three or four great leaders. Of high social standing, well educated, of gentle and courteous manners, tactful and kind yet resolute, he combined qualities some of which were rare among the Pilgrims and of the utmost importance to the success of their settlement. No other man among them possessed such skill in diplomacy as Winslow and he was their chief and sure reliance in dealing with the perplexing questions arising with the Indians, in negotiations with the mother country, in the disputes with Massachusetts and the other colonies, and in all the trade relations with England, the Kennebec, Connecticut and other settlements. He filled many responsible positions with great ability and displayed a knowledge of men and affairs surprising in view of his lack of early training and experience.

While in practical administrative ability he may not have equalled Bradford, and while he was not a soldier like Standish, in scholarship and general culture, and in the power of adapting his knowledge to the needs and conditions of the settlement, he was approached by neither.

Although he is the only one of the Pilgrims of whom we have an authentic portrait, and memorials of him in the form of publications and coats of arms, and silver and furniture, are not rare, we really know but little of his history before his coming to Plymouth. His grandfather Kenelm Winslow lived at Kempsey in the County of Worcester, England, and his father Edward owned a family seat called Careswell at Droitwich in the same County, where the birth of the Pilgrim Edward is recorded in 1595. He was the oldest of five sons all of whom came to America, Edward and Gilbert in the *Mayflower*, the others later. He was educated at Droitwich and as far as we know lived there until he reached the age of twenty-two. There has been a tradition that he was educated at Cambridge Uni-

versity but it appears to be without foundation. There is nothing to show that in England he had any communication with the Pilgrims or that he was in any way inclined to their religious views—his family lived at a considerable distance from Scrooby or Austerfield where most of the Pilgrims met and there is no evidence of any special Puritan or Separatist movement in Worcestershire distinct from the general tendency throughout England. He first appears in history as a young man of liberal education who while travelling for pleasure upon the Continent falls in by accident with Robinson's congregation in Leyden in 1617, becomes interested in their peculiar views and joins the Pilgrim church. He was then a bachelor, but twenty-two years of age, apparently of some means but engaged in no particular business or profession. Soon after becoming a member of the Leyden congregation the records show that he was married to Elizabeth Barker, a young English girl also a member of the congregation. The three years spent in Leyden he is supposed to have been in the printing business, probably with Brewster, but we hear little of him until in the summer of 1620 we find him corresponding as one of the Pilgrim agents with Carver and Cushman in England with reference to the arrangements for the departure for America.

About August 1, 1620, he left with the others in the *Speedwell* from Delft Haven, shared their experiences with the leaky ships in England and sailed in the *Mayflower* for America September 16. His name appears on the famous compact signed in Provincetown harbor in the cabin of the *Mayflower* November 21. He was upon the march inland begun December 16, during which the Pilgrims had their first encounter with the Indians, and was with the party which landed on Clark's Island and "the next day being the Sabbath we rested." Monday the 21st, as Winslow writes, they "sounded the Harbour (Plymouth), and found it a very good Harbour for our shipping, we marched also into the Land, and found divers corne fields, and little running brookes, a place very good for scituation, so we returned to our Ship againe with good newes to the rest of our people, which did much comfort their hearts."

This was the landing on Plymouth Rock and this simple account all that contemporaneous history tells of it. December 26 the *Mayflower* sailed up into the harbor; soon after the whole company went ashore, the beginning of the common house was made and a new Nation was born.

Three disastrous months followed and one of many who fell

by the way was his faithful wife, yet such were the perils and necessities of the situation that but seven weeks elapsed before he married a second wife, Susannah White, who herself had been a widow but twelve weeks.

The period of mourning seems short but the perils surrounding them allowed no yielding to the natural feelings of grief and compelled the union of families for protection and safety. The marriage proved a happy one and Susannah Winslow became famous in history as the wife of one Pilgrim Governor, the mother of another, who was the first native born Governor, and mother also, by her first husband, of the first white child born in New England, Peregrine White. She survived her husband a quarter of a century and died at Marshfield in 1680.

In March the Pilgrims were startled by the appearance among them of the Indian Samoset with his "Welcome Englishmen" and were informed by him of the neighborhood of the Sachem Massasoit and his desire to confer with them. For the delicate and dangerous duty of interviewing the chief and of ascertaining his temper of mind Winslow was selected, and meeting Massasoit a short distance from the settlement he arranged a conference in Plymouth and volunteered to remain with the Indians while Massasoit visited the authorities. Through his tactful address and skill this meeting became an eventful one and resulted in a treaty of peace with the Indians which remained unbroken for fifty-five years, until King Philip's war. It is not too much to say that upon the result of these negotiations largely depended the future of the settlement, for in its weak and forlorn condition peace with the Indian neighbors was of the first importance.

In July it was determined to explore the interior and return the visit of Massasoit at his home near Mt. Hope and Winslow was chosen for that duty with Stephen Hopkins.

The journey through thirty miles of trackless forest was a rough one and perilous from the uncertainty as to the disposition of the Indians on the route, but they reached Massasoit in safety and found him and his people friendly and desirous of extending a hospitable welcome, but as they had just returned from an expedition they were very short of provisions. Winslow quaintly writes "Late it grew, but victualls he offered none; for indeed he had not any, being he came so newly home. So we desired to goe to rest: he layd us on the bed with himselfe and his wife, they at the one end and we at the other, it being onely plancks layd a foot from the ground, and a thin Mat upon them. Two more of his chiefe men for want of roome

pressed by and upon us; so that we were worse weary of our lodging then of our journey. wee desired to keepe the Sabbath at home: and feared we should either be light-headed for want of sleepe, for what with bad lodging, the Savages barbarous singing, (for they use to sing themselves asleepe) lice and fleas within doores and Muskeetoes without, wee could hardly sleepe all the time of our being there."

This promiscuous lodging with its disagreeable accompaniment of friendly but unattractive hosts made the dreary settlement in Plymouth appear a haven of rest.

This was not to be the last nor the most uncomfortable visit of Winslow to Massasoit. In the Spring of 1623 news came of the serious illness of the latter and again Winslow set out with an Indian guide Hobamak and a "gentleman from London," John Hampden. Much has been written of the significance of the supposed comradeship of the famous John Hampden, but more recent investigation has clearly shown that the patriot Hampden was not in this country at the time.

Yet the visit was a remarkable one, for the country of Massasoit's probable successor, Corbitant, had first to be gone through, and he was known to have ambitious projects and not to be over friendly towards the Pilgrims; but Massasoit's home was reached and the evident cordiality of the reception showed how deep was the impression upon the Indians of Winslow's tenderness of heart and gentle bearing. Fortunately he possessed some knowledge of medicine and after most assiduous personal ministrations was able to relieve the monarch's suffering and when the time came to depart was followed with most demonstrative evidence of gratitude and friendship.

On the way home he stopped at Swansea and passed the night with Corbitant, finding him a most entertaining host, being, as he says, "a notable politician, yet full of merry jests and squibs, and never better pleased than when the like are returned upon him again" — What a scene for a painter — probably the only one of the Pilgrims who had fun and wit enough to enjoy this rather grim frolic in the woods — imagine the sturdy and scholarly Pilgrim alone in the wilderness with the treacherous chief, sitting over the fire smoking hospitable pipes in the lonely hut and exchanging jokes, all the while suspecting that the jolly savage was hostile and uncertain. Corbitant expressed to him his surprise that he risked the journey, and hinted that he wouldn't have come on his account if he had been sick like Massasoit, became very inquisitive, poked fun at him, and in Indian style tried to draw him out. A full report

would be most entertaining but we have only fragments, as for instance when Corbitant asked why when he came to Plymouth they stood upon their guard with the mouths of their pieces presented to him and upon Winslow's shrewdly answering "it was the most honorable and respective entertainment we could give them" and such as they bestowed upon distinguished persons — Corbitant dryly remarked he "liked not such salutations." They parted however in the morning in a cordial way and Winslow returned having gained much important information as to threatened hostile movements and yet leaving a distinct impression upon the Indians of the good will of the settlement and its desire to be on friendly terms with its neighbors.

In September of the same year Winslow sailed in the "Anne" for England as agent for the Colony and while there published his "Good Newes from New England," giving rather a hopeful account of the plantation from the period when the so-called "Mourt's Relation" left off down to September 10, 1623, being really a continuation of the latter book, which it is understood was written by Bradford and Winslow and sent to England in 1622 for publication, its name being derived from the fact of its preface being signed by "G. Mourt."

In March, 1624, he returned with much needed supplies, bringing also the first bull and heifers imported to the Colony.

Another portion of the cargo was less satisfactory, for with him came one John Lyford, an Episcopal preacher with Puritan leanings who contrary to Winslow's advice was selected by a portion of the Adventurers in England. Lyford soon became a thorn in the flesh to the Pilgrims and by his unseemly behaviour and duplicity so aroused the Pilgrim ire that they drove him from the settlement and repudiated all connection with him.

Subsequently Winslow had much trouble over this matter in England and was compelled to expose the disagreeable facts of Lyford's early life to show the man in his true colors and vindicate the Pilgrim action.

For the next few years he was fully occupied with negotiations and business transactions with the Kennebec and other settlements, and in 1627 Bradford, Standish, Allerton, Winslow, Howland, Alden and Prence agreed with the Adventurers in England to take over the whole trade of the Colony for six years, undertaking to pay all debts and arrange for the removal of the rest of the congregation from Holland, Robinson their revered pastor having died.

In 1630 he went to England again as Agent and after his return was chosen Governor in 1633, to succeed Bradford who

sought a well earned retirement, and the next year was chosen one of the Assistants, which office he filled for eleven years.

In 1632 Winslow had made an expedition to the Connecticut River and established a trading post near Hartford;—the region being claimed by the Dutch and also by settlers from Dorchester and Cambridge, warm disputes arose in 1635–6 as to ownership;—the Plymouth men had driven out the Dutch and Governor Winthrop having taken up the cause of the Massachusetts men Winslow was sent to negotiate with him. The powerful influence of the larger Colony was too much for Plymouth although a large portion of the latter's claim was conceded, but the reputation that Winslow acquired in Boston was soon shown by the remarkable action of the Massachusetts authorities in requesting him in face of some opposition to represent them in England in the matter of the Dutch complaints, the alleged restriction of the suffrage, and other points.

In 1635 he sailed for England but arrived at an unfortunate time for any one with Puritan or Pilgrim antecedents. Archbishop Laud was Chairman of the Commission before which he was delegated to appear, and, although by his arguments Winslow was able to influence the rest of the Commission, the Archbishop had him arrested and imprisoned for seventeen weeks under charge of being a Separatist and of solemnizing marriages illegally, and he escaped punishment only by influence of friends in high station.

Winslow always charged this imprisonment to the spite of Morton of Merry Mount fame who certainly had no occasion to love the authorities of either Plymouth or Boston.

Perhaps the strongest testimony to the value of Winslow's services is afforded in a letter of 'one of his bitterest opponents from America, Samuel Maverick a devoted Churchman living at East Boston in a fortified house surrounded by four cannon, who was in violent hostility to the Boston men on account of alleged deprivation of political rights;—he wrote from England—"a dismal change falling out just at that time, and they (the Boston men) sending hither one Edward Winslow a smooth tongued cunning fellow who soon got himself into favor of those then in the supreme power, against whom it was in vain to strive."

Returning in 1636 with enhanced reputation he was again chosen Governor. The religious controversies between the more liberal and the stricter Puritans in Boston were now at their height and the Governor of Plymouth, who was known to hold moderate views, had no easy task to avoid being drawn into

them and to answer the sometimes sharp and imperious letters from Boston.

The banishment of Roger Williams from Boston threatened no small embarrassment to Plymouth as he had formerly been the minister there and at first removed only to the edge of their settlement where he had many friends, and it was only by Winslow's tact that trouble was avoided by persuading Williams to move a little farther on into Rhode Island with the suggestion that then "they would remain loving friends together" thus avoiding any dispute with Boston. It is a singular historical fact that the chief cause of Williams leaving the Plymouth ministry was the unpopularity there of his severe and narrow views as to church membership.

The kind relations between Winslow and Williams continued for many years after the latter's removal to Rhode Island and frequent friendly visits were exchanged.

The big hearted and courteous Pilgrim Governor was a difficult man to quarrel with and nothing shows more clearly his genial qualities of mind and heart than his success in dealing with such different elements and retaining the friendship and respect of all, whether it was the authorities in England, the Governor in Boston, the dissenting colonists in Rhode Island or the wild Indian in the forest. With them all he carried himself with unmistakable high breeding and courtesy, with a tactful shrewdness and with a keen knowledge of men and affairs such as few men in either settlement possessed.

In 1638 he purchased an estate in that part of Duxbury now Marshfield, which he named Careswell in memory of the old home in England and which remained in possession of the family for nearly two centuries, when it became the property and the home of Daniel Webster.

In 1639 we find him associated with Governor Bradford, Endicott and Stoughton in settling the boundaries of the colonies, and in 1643 he was one of the first Commissioners of the Confederated Colonies. The next year he was again the Governor of Plymouth, but the time was approaching when he should look his last upon New England, and find employment in a larger sphere of usefulness in the mother country. The Massachusetts Colony was suffering from the complaints and machinations of Gorton and others in England and needed a strong man to represent them. They sought for Winslow's services "as a fit man to be employed in our present affairs both in regard to his abilities of presence, speech, courage and understanding and being well known to the Commissioners as having suffered imprisonment by the Archepiscopal prelate."

Oliver Cromwell was now head of the State and an agent from New England was sure of quite different reception from formerly, yet the business required a man of large experience and extensive influence and Winslow was recognized in New and Old England as possessing special qualifications. Plymouth acceded to the request of Massachusetts that he should act as their Agent with much unwillingness and with fear that he might meet with inducements in England which would prevent his return, but Winslow regarded it a duty to accept and sailed in 1646. The mission was a difficult and responsible one but he accomplished its object with much address.

Governor Hutchinson says of his missions to England "by his prudent management and the credit and esteem he was in with many of the members of Parliament and principal persons then in power he prevented any prejudice to the Colony."

During the long controversy with Gorton in England Winslow published in reply to Gorton's "Simplicities Defence" a very severe and caustic pamphlet entitled "Hypocrisie Unmasked" with an appendix containing his "Brief Narration," and later when Childs published "New England's Jonah cast up in London" which attacked Winslow personally and arraigned the proceedings in Boston against "divers honest and goodly persons"—he came out with a masterly and crushing reply entitled "New England's Salamander discovered by an Irreligious and Scornful Pamphlet."

He also published while there "The Glorious Progress of the Gospel among the Indians" with extracts from letters of Eliot and Mayhew, and organized the Society for Propagating the Gospel among the Indians.

It was not long before his abilities attracted the attention of Cromwell and he was persuaded to take service under the Protector. In 1652 he was Chairman of the Joint English and Dutch Commissioners to award damages for vessels destroyed in Denmark by the Dutch, and in 1655 he accepted his last Commission as chief of three Commissioners—the others being Admiral Penn and Gen. Venable—to capture the Spanish West Indies and to govern Hispaniola.

The expedition against Hispaniola failed through the blundering of the Admiral and sailed to attack Jamaica, but on the passage Winslow was taken ill and died and was buried at sea May 8, 1655, with a salute of 42 guns. His will was proved in England, most of his property being left to his son Josiah, and a copy of it was printed in the January, 1902, number of this Magazine.

The feeling of the members of the expedition towards him was expressed in these quaint lines written by one of the party.

The Eighth of May, west from 'Spaniola shore,
 God took from us our Grand Commissioner,
 Winslow by name, a man in Chiefest Trust,
 Whose Life was sweet, and Conversation just ;
 Whose Parts and wisdom most men did excel :
 An honour to his Place, as all can tell.

It would be of intense interest could we learn more of the inner home life of a man who appears to have had so many attractive qualities and whose influence over men of very different station and character was so marked, but that part of Pilgrim life exists chiefly in romance and tradition, for none of the Pilgrim histories give more than a glimpse of it.

His picture now in Pilgrim Hall, Plymouth, shows a man with open pleasing countenance, mild eye and firm mouth, with a somewhat rotund and vigorous figure and with a striking air of gentility. There is nothing about it of the conventional Pilgrim, it suggests rather the prosperous and contented man of affairs—but his face strongly indicates a gentle temper and a quiet sense of humor, combined with firm determination. This sense of humor was so strongly developed in the descendants of the Governor and has afforded to the Old Colony so many amusing stories of later incidents that we can safely believe it to have been an inherited trait. One wonders a little if Edward Winslow was ever so much *of* the Pilgrims as *with* them. He does not appear to have been strictly a religionist in the meaning of the day and history does not associate him with religious controversies or actions except perhaps in the severe tracts he published in London in his later years. Calvinist as he was in religious faith he was moderate in his opinions, generally tolerant, and exhibited in that part of his character the same breadth of view and cheerfulness that one finds in his bearing in the more practical details of business.

No one could have gained such influence over the Indians as he undoubtedly acquired unless added to his diplomatic talents were a big heart, unselfish devotion and an unruffled temper, and if that was the key to his success with them, it was equally owing to those qualities added to his great ability, his courage and his frank and manly bearing that he won friendship in the narrow and bigoted circles in Boston, at the English Court even when Charles I and Laud were crushing and persecuting the Puritan element, and, later, with the severely practical and stern Cromwellians. He was a man in advance of

his times and in many respects unlike his times and yet his work was of inestimable value to the Pilgrims and no one among them could have exactly filled his position, for he seems to have been specially ordained by Providence as a harmonizer and composer of quarrels and as the fit instrument to lead in delicate negotiations and important affairs requiring no small ability as a diplomatist. He somehow appeals to us of the present day in a little different way from any other of the Pilgrim band for he was not unlike the men of the present generation and his nature seems more gentle and loveable than that of most of his contemporaries, still he must have been a true representative of his people and a faithful exponent of their views, for otherwise he would never have been so trusted while he lived and so sincerely mourned at his early death. Whenever history shall present his life to us more fully than can be done in these pages, when the English records shall be more carefully searched for traces of his work and further evidence obtained of his great capacity and power, we are convinced that we shall then have the picture of a great Pilgrim Governor who added cheerfulness to constancy, gentleness to courage and absolute truthfulness and integrity to very high powers of civic statesmanship.

MARSHFIELD, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. IV, page 126.)

- [p. 15] Hanah Bumpus widdow of old Edward Bumpus deceased
feb. 12 . 1693.
James Maccall Deceased May 9th 1693.
Elizabeth Carver Deceased Aprill 4th 1694.
Mercy the Wife of John Sawyer was burried the 10th of february 1693.
William White deceased Jan^r . 24 . 1695.
Deborah the wife of Nathaniel Thomas Esq^r Deceased June y^e 17th
1696
Deborah the dafter of Experince Branch and Lidia his Wife de-
ceased 18 of desem^r 1696
Elizabeth the Widdow of W^m Holmes deceased february y^e . 17 .
1698 in y^e 86^t yeare of her age
May the . 20th . 1699 John Thomas & Thomas Bayley were Drowned
going out of Greens harbour in a Cunnoe
Nathaniel the son of Joseph Otis & Dorothy his wife was Born the
30th day of January 1689
James the son of Joseph Otis and Dorothy his wife was borne the
21 of January 1691.

- Caleb the son of W^m Carver & Elizabeth his Wife was Born October . 19 . 1690
- Elizabeth The Daughter of W^m Carver & Elizabeth his wife was born October . 13 . 1693
- Susana the Daughter of Micael fford and Bethiah his wife was Borne July 26 1689
- Batheba the Daughter of Micael fford & Bethiah his wife was Born March . 1 . 1691.
- Ephraim the son of Micael Ford & Bethiah his wife was borne July 18 . 1693
- Hanah the Daughter of Benjamin Phillips & Sarah his wife was Borne Desember the 25 1693
- James the son of James Maccall & Anna his wife was born octobr the 30 . 1690.
- bethiah the Daughter of Micael fford & Bethiah his wife was Born March 16th . 1687 . 8.
- Isaac the son of Jonathan Eames & hanah his Wife was born July the 23^d 1688.
- Jerusha the Daughter of Anhony Eames & Mercy his Wife was Born March the . 18th . 1688.
- Jedediah & Josiah The Sons of Thomas Bourn & Elizabeth his Wife were born the 29th of the 10th month 1692 being Twins
- Georg the son of Thomas Bourn & Elizabeth his wife was Borne the 29th of the 3^d month 1690
- Marcy the Daughter of John Hewett & Martha his wife was Born May 25 1686
- Lidia Hewett the Daughter of John Hewett & Martha his Wife was born June 25 . 1689
- [p. 16] Thomas the son of Samuel Little & Sarah his wife was Born June the . 28 . 1683.
- Sarah The Daughter of Samuell Little & Sarah his wife was born July 23^d 1685.
- Samuel Little the son of Samull Little & Sarah his wife was Born November the 7th 1691.
- Sarah the Daughter of Kenelm Baker & Sarah his Wife was born octobr the 28th 1688
- Alce the Daughter of Kenelm Baker & Sarah his Wife was born Novbr 3^d 1690
- Elinor the Daughter of Kenelm Baker & Sarah his wife was Born March 31 1692
- Abigall the Daughter of Kenelm Baker & Sarah his Wife was Born Desember 23 . 1693
- William the son of William Norcott & Experience his wife was borne may . 6 . 1690.
- John the son of William Norcott & Experience his wife was borne march the 8th 1691.
- Abigall the Daughter of W^m Norcot & Experience his wife was borne June 24th . 1693.

- Deborah The Daughter of Experience branch & Lidia his wife was borne the 11th. of July 1694
- Nathan The son of Nathan Williamson & Mary his wife was born feb. 3^d 1693.
- Lidia the Daughter of Jonathan Eames & hanah his wife was born the 7th day of May 1694
- Martha the Daughter of Vallintine Decro & Martha his wife was born the 11th day of August 1694
- Mary the Daughter of W^m Carver & Elizabeth his wife was born March the 20th. 1695.
- Mary the Daughter of Nathan Williamson & Mary his wife was born October the . 1 . 1695
- Kenelm the son of Kenelm Baker & Sarah his Wife was Born Nove[m]. 3^d. 1695
- Thomas Branch the Son of Experience Branch & Lidia his wife was Born the 20th day of October 1695
- Marke the son of Anthony Eines & Marcy his wife was born Sept 15 1695
- Elizabeth the daughter of Michael fford & bethiah his Wife was born March the 3^d 1694
- Deborah the Daughter of Jonathan Eames & hanah his wife was born May 30th 1696
- Mary the Daughter o[f] Anthony Eames & Mercy his Wife wa[s] Born July 17th 1698
- [p. 17] Elizabeth the Daughter of John & Elizabeth Sumers was born Desem. 25 . 1686
- John the son of John Sumers & Elizabeth his Wife was Born october . 24 . 1688.
- Mary the Daughter of John Sumers & Elizabeth his Wife was born June . 10 . 1691.
- Nathan the son of John Sumers & Elizabeth his Wife was born october 21 . 1693.
- Unice the Daughter of John Sherman & Jane his wife was Born May the 11th 1696.
- Elisha the son of Michael fford & Bethiah his wife was Born Jan^r 19th 1696
- Joshua the son of william Carver & Elizabeth his wife was Borne Novem 26 . 1698
- May 20th. 1699 John Thomas & Thomas Bayley deceased being Drowned going out of Greens harbour in a Cunoe
- Deborah the Daughter of Joseph Otis & Dorothy his Wife was born Aprill the 24th* . 1694
- Mary the Daughter of Joseph Otis & Dorothy his wife was Born March the 23^d 1695-6
- Elizabeth the Daughter of Thomas Bourn & Elizabeth his Wife was Born september the . 2^d . 1695

* "23d" altered to "24th."

Ebenezer the son of Thomas Bourn & Elizabeth his wife was born
 Desember the 14th 1697.
 Lidia the Daughter of Nathaniel Winslow & Lidia his wife was Born
 Jan^r ye 24th . 1693.
 Thankfull the Daughter of Nathaniel Winslow & Lidia his wife was
 born the 3^d day of february 1695.
 Snow the son of Nathaniel Winslow & Lidia his wife was Born .
 the . 13th day of May 1698 :
 Samuell the son of Nathan Williamson an Mary his wife was borne
 the 3^d day of Agust 1699
 Nathaniel Thomas Esq^r & M^{rs} Elizabeth Dolbery were Married
 Novebr 3^d 1696 . by M^r Cotten Mather
 John Hatch & Mary foster were Married December the 30th 1696
 before N Tho
 Thomas Fish & Margrett Woodworth were Married Jan^r the 10th .
 1697 before N Thomas
 Isaac Winslow and Sarah Wensley were Married July the 11 . 1700 :
 by mr Cotten Mather
 John Whit and Susanna Sherman were Married Febuary th 18 :
 1700 by Mr Edward Tompson
 Thomas Joyce and Elizabeth Bent were Married October the 31 :
 1701 by Mr Edward Tompson
 Samuall Lapham and and Hannah Rogers were Married Novembr
 ye 19 : 1701 by mr Edward Tompson
 Joseph Tilden and Joanna Bouls were Married January the 23 : 1701
 by Mr Edward Tompson
 Joshua Cushing and Mary Bacon were Married Ma[y]* the 31 :
 1699

[p. 18] Lucrecia The Daughter of Walter Joyce & Elizabeth his
 wife was born October the third . 1676.
 Thomas The son of Walter Joyce & Elizabeth his wife was born
 Aprill the 19th 1679.
 Mary the Daughter of Walter Joyce & Elizabeth his wife was born
 Novembr the . 12 . 1682.
 Elizabeth the Daughter of Walter Joyce & Elizabeth his wife was
 born March . 24th . 1684.
 Abigail the Daughter of Walter Joyce & Elizabeth his Wife was born
 October the 26^t . 1687.
 Seth the son of Walter Joyce & Elizabeth his wife was born the 26^t .
 day of July 1691
 bathsheba the daughter of Walter Joyce & Elizabeth his wife was
 born January ye 17th 1693
 William the son of M^r Edward Tompson & Sarah his wife was born
 Aprill the 26^t . 1697.
 John the son of Stephen Tilden & Abigail his wife was Born July 22
 1686.

* The space worn away shows that this must have been May, not March.

Caleb & Joshua the sons of Stephen Tilden & Abigall his wife were born the 7th of Aug^t. 1690.

Abigall the Daughter of Stephen Tilden & Abigall his wife was born January 7th. 1693

William the son of William ford Ju^r & Eilina' his wife was born . September y^e 1696

William the son of Thomas Dogett & Experience his Wife was Born October the 30th 1699

Abigall the Daughter of Experience Branch and Lidia his Wife was born february the 1 : 1693

Thomas the son of Experienc Branch and Lidia his wife was Born October the 20 1695

Marriages by M^r Edward Tompson

William Sherman & Mercy White were Married feb. 3^d . 1697

John Jones & Elinor Winslow were Married feb. 17 . 1697.

Daniel Thomas & Experience Tilden were Married Aprill 26^t . 1698.

Samuel Witherell & Unice Roggers were Married May 26^t 1698

Thomas Little & Mary Mayhew were Married December 5^t 1698

Thomas Doggett & Experience ford were Married Jan^r 18 . 1698

Gilbert Winslow & Mercy Snow were Married feb. 7th . 1698

Israel Thomas & Bethiah Sherman were Married fe^b 23 . 1698

James fford & Hannah Dingley were Married february . 28 . 1698

Samuell Silvester and Lucretia Joyce were married October y^e 9 : 1700

John Rogers and Hannah Sprague were Married December 11 : 1700

John Blackmer and Anna Br[a]nch were Married [worn]er y^e 19 : 1700

(To be continued.)

GOVERNOR THOMAS HINCKLEY'S WILL AND INVENTORY.*

Transcribed from the Original Records,

BY GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN.

THOMAS² HINCKLEY (*Samuel*¹) of Barnstable, the sixth and last Governor of Plymouth Colony, died at Barnstable 25 April, 1705. His will was made 16 October, 1700, and his second wife, Mary (Smith) Glover, was named as executrix. She died 29 July, 1703, and when the will was probated, 27 April, 1705, Samuel Prince of Sandwich, the husband of her daughter Mercy Hinckley, was appointed administrator.

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The will and inventory, and the proceedings in the probate court, will be found in the second and third volumes of the Barnstable County Probate Records.

[GOVERNOR THOMAS HINCKLEY'S WILL.]

[11 : 192²] In the Name of God Amen

The 16th of october 1700 I Thomas Hinkley Barnstable in y^e County of Barnstable in his Mag^{ties} province of y^e Massachusetts bay In new England tho under some bodyly weakness & Infirmityes yet throw y^e Great Goodness of God of disposing mind & memory Calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life and that all flesh must yeild not only to y^e decays of nature but also to death it self whensoever it shall please God to send it and being desirous to be in a readiness for y^e same as in greater and higher respect & Cheifest Concerns so also in setting things in order respecting my temporall estate (according to my duty) as those I leave behind me may with peace & quietness Endeavor to serve God and one another in love i do theirfore by these presents make ordeyn & declare this to be my last will & testament herby revoking & adnulling all other will or wills Testament or Testaments by me hertofore made by word or writing and this only to stand & abide in force in manner & form following —

Imprimes & above all things I desire to Commit my soul to God In Jesus Christ my dear and only saviour & Redeemer upon whome alone I desire to rely for the pardon of all my manifold sins & heynous transgressions and for the acceptation of my most unworthy pson wth Gods thro his most prei-cious death merits & mediation and my body to decent burial in hope of a Joyfull resurrection at the last day ever to be with our Lord and for my temporall Estate w^{ch} God hath been pleased far beyond my desire to lend unto me my will is first of all that my debts which in right I owe to any pson or psons or shall owe at y^e time of my deceace be paid & satisfied out of my Estate —

Item I will & bequeath to Mary my very deare & welde-serving wife the use and proffits of my now dwelling house viz : of all those Roomes & eastern part of said house which I of late have & still do retayne occopy posses & Enjoy distinct from y^e western part of said house & those Romes I have Assigned to and is now occupied by my son John Hinckley also unto her my said wife the use and proffits of

that Easterly half part of my barne which I have been accustomed to use and the old house and old orchard as y^e fence now stands with all y^e fruit which shall be growing on any of y^e trees in y^e orchard Comonly Called y^e new orchard lying on y^e north side of the kings high way together with y^e use and proffits of all my other lands both upland and medows which I have or Improve or may herafter have & posses during her natural life viz : more pticularly all that young orchard lying on y^e southerly side of my now dwelling house & lands on the Easterly End of said house from the fence there Easterly to the crossefence which divides between my lands & my sd son Johns land and also of all my lands on y^e northerly side at y^e high way & northerly side at the barne as y^e fence now stands between mine & my sd son Johns land according to the station made between us downe to y^e stone wall at the easterly end adioining to y^e oates pasture high way and of all my lands in y^e oates pasture and at Jewels Island & y^e small pcells of medow and Creek thatch together with all my lands in the Comon feild Totosneck and place adjacent down to the sea during y^e full term of her natural life also I give & bequeath unto her my sd wife all my neat Cattell horsekind sheep and swine with all my personall Estate whether in : [p. 193²] In debts householdstuf bookes or in any other thing whatsoever for her Comfortable support & such part therof to be at her dispose to any of my Children as she shall thinke meet according to their need or dutifull Carriage toward her or other Cause moving her therunto and

It that forasmuch as I have given to all my Children which are married there portions hertofore as farre ás my low Estate would well bear and more pticularly to my son Samuel Hinckley the greatest part of my great lott wheron he built his dwelling house and six acres of medow at Skorton which he sold & some pcells of marsh at skunkanet and the money for half a share of land at Sippecan & several sums of money which I paid to several psons he was indebted to his full share or more out of my estate I do therefore will & bequeath to my sons John & Ebenezer Hinckley all the Rest of my lands & housing to them their heirs & assigns for ever in manner & form following viz : to my son John romes at the west end of my dwelling house which he now and of late hath used & is possessed of & the one half of the fruit Gows on y^e trees in y^e old orchard & the grasse in y^e new orchard lying on y^e north side of y^e kings highway during his mothers Life shee being to have all y^e fruit growing on y^e sd new orchard during her

life as aforsd and after her decease he my said son John have all y^e trees & fruit of said new orchard he quitting and relinquishing with his Intrest in y^e one half of y^e said fruit in y^e old orchard

It I will & bequeath to him my son John the one half of my Barne y^e western end therof w^{ch} he hath been accustomed to use together wth y^e land lying at y^e southwest end of y^e barn as y^e fence now runs to y^e norwest Corner therof westerly by a Cleft rock to the old ditch and from thence northerly as y^e fence now stands on y^e side of y^e bank of sd ditch to the middle stone wall & thence as y^e fence now stands northerly to the end stone wall adioyning to the high way in y^e Calves pasture and thence westerly by sd stone wall till it meet with Decon Job Crockers fence and so by his fence southerly down to the pond and by sd pond till it Coms to the old orchard fence and by that fence as it now stands to the kings high way and thence Eastword to y^e uper end of sd Johns barrs and thence as the fence stands to the barne all w^{ch} Contains the biggest halfe of those my Lotts of Lands there and also to him my son John the uper part of that Lott of Lands whereon my sd Dwelling house stands viz from the cross fence which divids between his Land and myn Easterly to the Graves which he hath been accustomed to use (and is the biggest halfe of y^t Lott) together with a small pcell of Ground lying att the north side of sd Dwelling house by a fence Runing from the Corner of the Little house to the westernmost post of the barrs which leads from the high way into my feild and thence by y^e high way westerly till it Coms against the midle of the well and from thence on a strait line to the northermost Corner of my study. And also the one halfe of my six acre Lott of meadow att jewels Island which he hath been accustomed to occupy and use all which pcells of upland and meadow I have given him heretofore & now hereby Confirm them to him his heires and assigns for ever, together [p. 194²] With a parcell of my marsh for which I Received Some money of him Lying att Skauton Comonly so Caled bounded westerly by his own marsh & southerly by the north side of part of my foure acre Lott of marsh Comonly so Caled and Easterly by the Crecke

It I Will and bequeath to my son Ebenezer after my sd wife his mothers Decease y^e East End of my sd Dwelling house with all the Rooms above and below w^{ch} I of Late and now occupy possess and enjoy to my use distinct from

that part of sd House and Rooms given to my son John his brother as aforesd Each of them haveing free Liberty to pass and Repass up and Down any of the staires and thro such part of such Rooms as may be necessary to goe to his and their own as hath been accustomed and each of them to keep in Repaire the Roofe over their own Rooms and what else is necessary for each of them for their part and my will further is that I Reserve Liberty to mysele and to my wife after my decease if shee see Cause to Remove my study that Little Room so caled to some other part against the East part of sd House and to belong thereunto for the use of him the sd Ebenezer as aforesd

It I Will and bequeath to him my son Ebenezer after his mothers Decease the other halfe part of my Barn w^{ch} I now use and the other halfe part of my lands lying from y^e kings high way to the Barn & on y^e east & north side of sd Barne from y^e Caves pasture lane to the dividing line & fence between my son Johns land & mine from end to end as aforesd w^{ch} I have of late & now occupy poses & enjoy to my own use only herby reserving liberty for his brother John his heirs & assigns to have free egress & regress wth his or their Cart & teame fro y^e northwest Corner of y^e Barne leantew aforesd toward y^e great rock to Cart into sd Barne at y^e great doores as there may be occation he & they making & maintaining a handy pare of bars or gate at sd Corner & be Carefull to prevent damage therby so long as sd Barne shall Continue in sd place between them and wheras deacon Job Crocker is at all times hereafter to make & maynteyn all y^e fence Btween his land and that w^{ch} is now my son Johns by agreement & satisfaction made by me wth & to the sd Job Crocker as a writing under his hand & seale may more at larg appeare wch otherwise my sd son John must have made & maintained half y^e sd fence and therefore it seeming good reason my will is that my son John shall (after my decease) make & maintain either y^e one halfe of y^e side fence against y^e Caves pasture lane or y^e whole side fence as it now stands w^{ch} divides between his land & mine now willed to his brother Ebenezer as aforesd and he the sd Ebenezer to make & maintayne y^e other equal part of sd side fence viz: either y^e whole of that next y^e said lane or y^e one half therof & y^e one half of y^e sd dividing fence and that each of them make good and sufficient fence and be Carefull to prevent damage & discord between them

It I will & bequeath to him my sd son Ebenezer the other half part of my six acres lott of meadow at Jewell Island with

y^e flats & small adjacent Islands which I have been accustomed to use as belonging therunto

It That forasmuch as I have heretofore given to my son John a precell of my land in y^e Comon feild wch he hath sold and Considering that my son Ebenezar is not to have y^e lands bequeathed to him as afor sd until after his mothers decease and he having also been helpfull to us divers years more then his brother John & in Confidence of his further helpfullness to his mother after my deceace I do therfore give & bequeath unto him my said son Ebenezer all y^e residue of my land in y^e Comon feild which shall remain unsold both up : [p. 195²] Upland and meadow together wth any other parcell of meadow w^{ch} I may have in Exchang for my part of that If so it shall happen to be in any other place whatsoever and also all that my parcel of marsh Comonly Called the four acre lott at Skorton lying between the two Creeks Comonly Called Bacons & Goodspeeds Creeke bounded northerly by y^e marsh of my son John and also all that late additinal parcel of marsh adjoining to the southerly side of y^e sd four acres lott at y^e Easterly end thereof on y^e west side of that easterly Creeck running thence southerly to the mayne Channel taking in a smal Island of Creek thatch & is bounded westerly by the dividing line between it & y^e marsh of Joseph Jinkins

It I will & bequeath that other parcel of my marsh w^{ch} lyes on the east side of said Creek last mentioned & runs thence easterly to the known dividing be tween it & y^e marsh of of Joseph bodfish unto both my sd sons John & Ebenezar to be equally divided between them

It I will & bequeath to him my son Ebenezar all my lands in y^e Caves pasture both upland & meadow saving to his brother John liberty only to dry his Creek thatch on that part of the upland which I directed him unto this last summer viz : on y^e eastern side from y^e harbor southwesterly till it Comes about a rod beyond the northeasterly end of James Hamblins present hedge fence & thence across sd parcel of land to a young saplin marked to another young saplin marked standing neare y^e middle of the said range of said Crose line to another young saplin standing a little below y^e top of y^e westerly bank to the beach and my will is that all those lands bequeathed to my son the sd Ebenezer in manner and form afor sd shall be & remain (after his mothers deceace) to him his heirs and assigns forever

It I will & bequeath to my son y^e sd Ebenezer (after my wife his mothers deceace) all my stock of neate Cattel horse

kind sheep & swine and all my utensales belonging to husbandry and my Iron back & hanger with all other household stufe of what kind soever w^{ch} shall remain undisposed of by my sd wife his mother by her will or otherwise either of sd stock or household stufe

It I will & bequeath to my sons y^e sd John & Ebenezer out of my books Newmans Concodiance Ainsworths Annotations wilsons Chistian dictionary Coles English dictionary to be for their & each of their Comon use as they have occation and my will further is that my son Ebenezer shall have my two Books Called palmers Gospel new Creature & m^r flavels on y^e 3^d of Revelati 20th and to my son John m^r w Greenwells on soundness of heart &c : with liberty to Chose one more out of y^e rest of my books and all the residue of my books I leave to the disposall of my wife as aforesd

finally my will is that in case the 200 acres of land Granted me by our former Generall Court in little Compton for service done & is my Just Right be obtained then my said wife (if I do not otherwise dispose therof) shall have full power to sell or dispose therof & y^e produce therof to be equally divided between her & my two sons y^e sd John & Ebenezer and I do herby ordeyn Constitute & apoint the said Mary my deare and [p. 196] And Loving wife to be sole Executrix of this my last will & testament In witness wherof I have herunto set my hand & seale december 31 Anno doni 1700 Anno R : Re : willielmi Tertii duodecimo Angliae &c :

In presents of	} Testes febr ^y 14 1700/I	Thomas Hinckley (seale)
Jonathan Russell		
James whippo		
John Jenkins		
Martha Russell		

April the 27th 1705 then Mr Jonathan Russel Mr James Whippo and m^{rs} Martha Russell whose hands Stands to the within written as witnesses appeared before Barnabas Lothrop Esqr Judge of probats of wills and granting Letters of Administration within the County of Barnstable and made oath that they did see m^r Thomas Hinckley late of Barnstable now deceased Signe and Seale this Instrument and heard him declare It to be his last will and Testament and that he was of disposing mind and memory when he so did

Attest W^m Bassett Reg^{tr}

[APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR OF REAL ESTATE.]

Barnabas Lothrop Esqr Comisionated by the Governour & Council for the Granting of probate of Wills and Letters of administration within the County of Barnstable to all to whome these presents Shall Come or may Concern Greeting know ye that on the 27th day of April 1705 before me at Barnstable the will of m^r Thomas Hinckley within written was proved approved and allowed so farr as It Concerns & relates to the real Estate of sd Thomas Hinckley deceased who haveing while he lived and at the time of his death goods Chattels rights and Credits In the aforesd County but by reason that Mary Hinckley wife of the deceased died before the testator therefore the sd will Is not approved and allowed to be of any force for the disposing and bequeathing of the psonal Estate of the deceased but Administration of all and Singular the goods Chattels rights and Credits of the sd deceased was Comitted unto m^r Samuel Prince of Sandwich Son In Law to the testator as witness my hand and Seale of Sd office hereunto set this 27th day of April 1705

Barnabas Lothrop

[APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR OF PERSONAL ESTATE.]

[p. 189] Barnabas Lothrop Esqr Comissionated by the Gov^rnour and Council for y^e granting & Probate of Wills and Letters of Administration within the County of Barnstable In the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England To Samuel Prince of the Town of sandwich in sd County Gen^l Trusting in your Discretion faithfulness and fidelyty I do by these presents Comitt unto you full power to Administer on all and singular the Goods Chattels Rights and Credits of your honrd father in Law m^r Thomas Hinckley Late of Barnstable in the County aforesd who died Intestate to his personall Estate as to any thing y^t yet appears And well and faithfully to dispose of the same according to Law & to Render a plain and true account of your sd Adminestration upon oath wⁿ Lawfully Caled thereunto And I do by these presents ordain Constitute and appoint you Administrator of all and singular the Goods Chattels Rights & credits of the sd Thomas Hinckley In testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale of sd office Dated barnstable Aprill 27th in the fourth year of her Maj^{ties} Reign Annoq Domini 1705

Barnabas Lothrop

[INVENTORY OF THE PERSONAL ESTATE.]

[p. 198] A true Inventory of the movable Estate of Thomas Hynkly Esqr lately deceased as it was taken by m^r Samuel Hynkley & deacon Job Crocker on may 1 . 1705

In apparel of one and other sort	14 - 00 - 00
The best bed in y ^e east end Chamber with bedstead & furniture	14 - 00 - 00
Another bed in y ^e above mentioned Chamber with bedsteed & furniture	08 - 00 - 00
a bed with bedsteed & furniture in y ^e porch Chamber	04 - 00 - 00
one Covered two rugs and three pillows is in y ^e East end Chamber all	02 - 10 - 00
of sheets eight pare and one odd one at	06 - 15 - 00
Table linnen and pillow beers at	02 - 04 - 00
two tables and Six leather chairs in y ^e East end lower roome at	04 - 00 - 00
Two turkey work Chairs two great ones with other lesser ones at	01 - 02 - 00
a cup board and Chest of drawers at	04 - 00 - 00
a trunk Chest and box at	00 - 12 - 00
of plate viz : silver two cups and three spoones at	03 - 10 - 00
puter & tin one pound six shillings bras ketles three pound skillets twelve shillings candlestick & warming pan eight shillings all together	05 - 06 - 00
In Iron Candlestick pots and ketles	01 - 13 - 00
an Iron back and tramels at	01 - 17 - 00
and Irons gread Iron tongs boxIron heeters pressing Iron at	01 - 00 - 00
wheels tubs bouls cards earthen ware at	01 - 10 - 00
Arms and amunition	01 - 15 - 00
Horse furniture Iron tools as axes wedges &c : with old Iron at	02 - 05 - 00
port mantles Cushins Sieves frying pan looking glass A Spit at	01 - 00 - 00
bags bellows hour glas and some other Small things	00 - 05 - 00
Abroad —	
Carts wheels ploughs Chains and yokes	04 - 00 - 00
to an Indian Servant	06 - 00 - 00
four oxen at	13 - 00 - 00
three Cowes at 6 pound two heifers at three pound five all	09 - 05 - 00
twenty Six Sheep and Seven lambs all	07 - 00 - 00
In wooll flax and an hair Cloth	00 - 15 - 00
three Cannoes at	01 - 15 - 00
the old horse at	00 - 12 - 00
In Cash and bills of Credit	22 - 17 - 06

Law books	06 - 19 - 06
divinity books	13 - 14 - 06
debts deu to the Estate by bill	10 - 00 - 00
more from Eleazer Hamblen	02 - 02 - 04
more an old trunk and tobaco	00 - 05 - 02
	<hr/>
	179 - 09 - 6*
To one share In the fulling mill	004 - 00 - 00
to two books more one book more	000 - 03 - 06
	184 13*
	Samuel Hynkley
	Job Crocker

May the second 1705 then before Barnabas Lothrop Esqr Judge of Probets &c : for y^e County of barnstable Ebenezer Hinckley Son of m^r Thomas late of barnstable now deceased made oath that the above written Is A true Inventory of the Estate of the sd Thomas Hinckley so farr as he knows and that If any thing that Is materiall Shall yet further Come to his knowledg he will make discovery of It that It may be brought to this Inventory

Attest W^m Bassett Reg^{tr}

[ACCOUNT OF ADMINISTRATOR.]

[III : 459] John Otis Esqr Comissionated by his Excell^{cy} the Gov'nour and Councill of y^e Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England to be Judge of y^e Probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Adminestration within the County of Barnstable in sd Province sendeth Greeting &c Know Yee that upon the Day of the Date hereof Samuel Prince Esqr of the Town of Rochester in the County of Plymouth Administrator to the Estate of his Father in Law m^r Thomas Hinckley Late of the Town of Barnstable in the S^d County of Barnstable Decea^{sd} Gave in and accmpt to myselfe of his Adminestring of the Psonall estate of s^d Deceased he having Received as \bar{p} the Inventory the Sum of one hundred Seventy Eight pounds thirteen Shillings and six pence, and hath paid out one hundred Eighty Eight pounds six shillings & two pence as appears by his acco^{tt} and vouchers &c. Which accmpt is allowed by myselfe . as Witness my hand and Seal of the Court of Probate for sd County hereto Sett this one and twentyeth day of July in the fourth year of his Maj^{ties} Reign Annoq Domini 1718

Jn^o Otis

*The footings are in a different hand.

BRIDGEWATER, MASS., VITAL RECORDS.

(Continued from Vol. III, p. 143.)

[p. 3] The birth of the children of Nathanael & Margret Conant
Thomas Conant was born February ye 29th Annoq^e Dom 1704/5
Nathan Conant was born May 10th Annoq Dom 1706
Bithia Conant was born July the 26 Annoq Dom 1709
Jeremiah Conant a child by Elisabeth his soccond wife was born
October ye 5th Anno Domi 1720
Margret Conant was born Januy 3^d Annoq^e Dom 1722
John Conant was born April ye 20th Anno Domini 1725
Elisabeth Conant was born Decem^r 25th Anno Dom 1727
Nathanael Conant above Named died Sep^t ye 8th An^o Dom 1745
Elisabeth Conant above named ye Second wife of ye s^d Nathan^{ll}
Conant died Feb : ye 27th 1757
The birth of the children of James & Elisabeth Haward
Eisabeth Haward was born January 16th 1685/6
•Mercy Haward was born Feb 27th Anno Dom : 1687/8
James Haward was born January 26 Anno Dom 1689/90
The above named Mercy Haward Dec^d Jan 26 1704/5
The children of Edward Sele & Elisabeth his wife
Benjamin Sele was born March 5th Anno Dom 1693
John Sele was born April 10th Anno Dom 1697
The birth of the children of Seth and Sarah Brett
Samuel Brett was born August 22^d Annoq Dom 1714
Silas Brett was born Feb 28 Anno Dom 1715 16
Sarah Brett was born March ye 3^d Anno Dom 1717/18
Simeon Brett was born January ye 8th Anno Domi 1719/20
Seth Brett was born April 13th Annoq Domi 1722 after his Fathers
Death

[p. 4] The birth of the children of James & Mary Keith born in the
Town of Bridgwater
James Keith was born Novem ye 6^t Anq^o Dom 1696
Mary Keith was born November 20th An^o Dom 1698
Gershom Keith was born Februa 1st An^o Do 1701
Israel Keith was born Febru 21st Anq^o Do 1703
Faithfull Keith was born Decem 16 An^o Do 1704
Esther Keith was born April ye 9th Annoq Dom 1707
Jane Keith was born Sep^t 2^d Annoq Dom 1709
Simeon Keith was born Sep^t 25 Anno Dom 1712
The birth of the children of Ephraim and Hannah Cary
Mehetabel Cary was born December ye 3^d Anno Dom 1709
Ezra Cary was born March 31 Anno Dom 1710

Zachariah Cary was born 4th of January An^o Do 1712/13
 Ephraim Cary was born Novem^r 12th Ann^o Dom 1714
 Daniel Cary was born Sep^t 9th Annoq Dom 1716
 Ephraim Cary y^e parent of y^e above named Children Died July y^e
 18th An^o Dom 1765.
 Elnathan Bassett of Bridgewater died april y^e 20th 1750

[p. 5] The birth of the children of Joseph Hayward sen^r
 By Alice his ffirst wife

1 Joseph Hayward was born December 15th Ann^o Do 1673
 By Hannah his third wife
 2 Alice Hayward was born March y^e 20th Ann^o Dom 1682/3
 3 Mary Hayward was born March y^e 18th Ann^o Dom 1684/5
 4 Thomas Hayward was born March y^e 6^t Ann^o Dom 1686/7
 5 Edward Hayward was born July y^e 24 Ann^o Domi 1689
 6 Hannah Hayward was born Septem y^e 25 Ann^o Dom 1691
 7 Susanna Hayward was born May y^e 17th Ann^o Dom 1695
 8 Peter Hayward was born Novem y^e 10th Ann^o Dom 1699
 9 Abigail Hayward was born August y^e 3^d Anno Dom 1702
 The birth of the children of Jonathan & Sarah Haward born in the
 Town of Bridgewater

Jonathan Haward was born Decem^r y^e 9th Anoq Do 1692
 Nathan Haward was born Janua 2^d Anoq Do 1694
 Joshua Haward was born Janua y^e 9th Anno Do 169[*worn*]
 Susanna Haward was born August y^e 8th Anno Do 169[*worn*]
 Ebenezer Haward was born y^e 10th of Janua Anoq Dom 17[*worn*]
 Seth Haward was born Novem 15 Anoq Dom 1702
 Abiel Haward Was born November y^e 6^t Anoq Do 1704
 Sarah Haward was born October 28th Anoq Dom 1707
 Henry Haward was born September y^e sixth Annoq Dom 1710
 Kezia Haward was born February 23^d Annoq Dom 1712
 The birth of y^e Children of Ephraim & Deliverance Jennings
 Mary Jennings was born January y^e 1st An^o Dom 1719/20
 Ephraim Jennings was born Sep^t y^e 27th An^o Dom 1722
 Sarah Jennings was born Sep^t y^e 28th An^o Dom 1728

[p. 6] The birth of the children of Ephraim & Mary Haward born
 in the Town of Bridgewater

Jane Haward was born Septem 17 Anno Do 1689
 Susanna Haward was born March 8th Anno Dom 1692
 Martha Haward was born August 7th An Do 1695
 Ephraim Haward was born May 25 Anno Do 1697
 Daniel Haward was born October 3^d Ann^o Do 1699
 David Haward was born March 3^d Ann^o Do 1703
 Silence Haward was born June y^e 3^d Anno Dom 1705
 Mary Haward was born December 21 Ann^o Dom 1707
 The birth of the Children of Nehemiah & Jane Washburn
 Silence Washburn was born July 26 Anno Dom 1713
 Jane Washburn was born January y^e 6th Anno Domi 1715

Jane Washburn the Wife of s^d Nehemiah Washburn Deceased January
y^e 26 Anno Domi 1715

Leu^t Ephraim Haward died august y^e 11th An^o Dom 1750 aged 84

Mary Howard first above Named Died February 1760

The birth of the children of Joseph & Sarah Hayward born in
Bridgewater

William Hayward was born July 3^d An^oq Dom 1704

Eleazer Hayward was born August 28th Ann^o Dom 1705

Alice Hayward was born February y^e 16th Anno Dom 1705

Lydia Hayward was born April y^e 20th Ann^o Dom 1708

Jemina Hayward was born May y^e 16th Anno Dom 1711

Sarah Hayward was born Novem 1st Ann^o Dom 1713

Mary Hayward was born July 24th Anno Domi 1718

Joseph Hayward was born Decem^r y^e first Anno Dom 1725

[p. 7] The birth of the children of John & Desire Kingman born in
y^e Town of Bridgewater

Desire Kingman was born June y^e 17th An^oq Do 1690

Mary Kingman was born April y^e 7th An^oq Do 1692

John Kingman was born Febru y^e 7th An^oq Do 1694

Seth Kingman was born Janua y^e 10th An^oq Do 1696

Deliverance Kingman was born Feb y^e 11th An^oq Dom 1698

The children born to the s^d John Kingman by Bithia his second
wife

Isaac Kingman was born Septem y^e 14th An^oq Do 1699

John Kingman was born March y^e 16 An^oq Dom 1702

Abigail Kingman was born May y^e 28 An^oq Do 1705

David Kingman was born May 21st Annoq Dom 1708

Ebenezer Kingman was born January 21st Annoq Dom 1711

Josiah Kingman was born October 9th Annoq Dom 1713

Bithia Kingman was born April 23^d Annoq Dom 1716

John Kingman Father of y^e above named Children died January y^e
8th 1755 in the 95^t: year of his age

The birth of the children of William & Mary Conan[t] in the Town
of Bridgewater

Sarah Conant was born November 10th An^o Do 170[worn]

Ruth Conant was born November 27th Anno Dom 1711

The birth of y^e Children of Nathan^{ll} Reynolds & mary his Wife

Nathan^{ll} Reynolds was born march y^e 19th An^o Dom 1718

The Birth of y^e Children of David & Mary Ames

David & mary ames were born april the 9th An^o Dom 1723

James ames was born april y^e 3^d An^o Dom 1725

Mary Ames wife of y^e above named David ames died march y^e 28th
An^o Dom 1757

[p. 8] The birth of the children of Joseph & Judith Shaw born in
the Town of Bridgewater

Ruth Shaw was born Janua 25 An^oq Do 1698

Mirth Shaw was born January y^e 9th An^oq Do 1700

Sarah Shaw was born March y^e 18th An^oq Do 1702
 Hannah Shaw was born July y^e 31st An^oq Do 1704
 Ebenezer Shaw was born July y^e 13th An^o Dom : 1706
 John Shaw was born April the thirteenth An^o Dom 1708
 Zacharias Shaw was born June the 28th An^o Dom 1711
 Joseph Shaw above named Deceased Sept^r 14th An^o Dom 1718 In
 the 54th year of his Age
 Judith Shaw the Wife of y^e above named Joseph Shaw died February
 y^e 8th 1760
 The children of Isaac and Abiel Johnson which were born to them
 in the Town of Bridgewater
 Sarah Johnson was born July y^e first An^oq Do 1702
 John Johnson was born June y^e 11th An^oq Do 1705
 Joseph Johnson was born December 17th An^o Dom 1707
 Benjamin Johnson was Born March y^e 6th An^o Dom 1710/11
 Mary Johnson was born June 18th An^o Dom 1716
 Joseph Johnson Deceased November y^e sixth An^o Dom 1730
 The children of Peter & Sarah Dunbar born in Bridgewater
 Josiah Dunbar was born July y^e 21 An^oq Dom 1706
 John Dunbar was born September 18 An^o Dom 1709
 David Dunbar was born June 27th An^o Dom 1711

[p. 9] The birth of the children of John & Susanna Hayward born
 in the Town of Bridgewater

Susanna Hayward was born Sept^r 13 An^oq Do 1699
 Sarah Hayward was born August y^e 7th An^oq Do 1703
 John Hayward above named Dec^d April 14th An^o Do 1705
 The birth of the children of Elihu & Susanna Brett
 John Brett was born October 23^d An^o Dom 1707
 Anne Brett was born August 14th An^o Dom 1710
 Bithiah Brett was born March 31st An^o Dom 1714
 Elihu Brett above named died April y^e 29th An^o Dom 1745
 The birth of the children of Joseph & Mehetabel Hayward born in
 the Town of Bridgewater
 Mehetabel Hayward was born May 17th An^o Do 1701
 Thomas Hayward was born Sept^r 23 An^oq Do 1702
 Joanna Hayward was born August 15th An^oq Do 1704
 Malatiah Hayward was born August 31 An^o Do 170[*corn*]
 Hannah Hayward was born Novem 9th An^o Dom 1703
 Sarah Hayward born December 14th An^o Dom 1710
 Joseph Hayward was born October 19th An^o Dom 1713
 Daniel Hayward was born November 29th An^o Dom 1715
 Benjamin Hayward was born February 22^d An^o Dom 1717
 Joseph Hayward Son of Joseph Hayward Died October y^e 17th In y^e
 year 1738
 Daniel Hayward above named Died June y^e 25^t : 1749

(To be continued.)

THE DIARY OF JABEZ FITCH, JR.

(Continued from page 103.)

FORT EDWARD Aug^t 6th 1757

There Ingagement Still Lasts at y^e Lake But Not So Furious a Firing as was Yesterday About Noon Gen^l Johnson Arrivd Here with a Larg Party — Some of them of the Melitia at Albony Canderhuck & Clavricks — among others Capt : Hucabons With His Company — This Day I Se Tobious Vandwoser & Several others that I Knew at Clavricks &c. At Night there Came an Express from Fort W^m Henry By which I Hear that our People Hold their Ground Good & Col : Monroe Said He was as well Pleasd as if He was in His own Cuntry among y^e Pertaters

Sunday y^e 7th Som Time In y^e Morning I Lit of M^r Bell & Spent Some time with Him then we went to a Meeting where Was Sung y^e 71st Plalm then y^e Young Boston Chaplen Preachd From 1st Sam^l 14th 6th &c —

This Day y^e Firing at y^e Lake Contnued But Not So Smart as Before — The Millitia Now are Continually Coming to our Assistance But we are Impatient of Waiting Knowing all our Interest & Privelages Lay at Stake & we Not Yet Strong Enough to Ingage y^e Enimy —

At Night I went onto y^e Piquet : Capt Fletcher is Commander of it y^e Mohogs Mad a Vary Bad Nois all y^e Night & Toard Day y^e Wolvs Tried to Emitate them & there was one Serjt Euen of y^e 60th Reg^t on Guard with Us &c —

y^e 8th The Firing at y^e Lake Began about Sunrise as Usual & Continued Most of y^e Day Vary Hard — Gen^l Webb went out with a Larg Party to Vieu y^e Ground Round y^e Fort He Returnd a Little after Noon — Toard Night there Came In an Ox from Ft W^m Henry at Night our Piquet was Relievd as Usual — This Night there was Many Guns Hered from y^e Lake &c. — We Have No Further News of orders To March to Relieve y^e Other Fort But Conclude to Wate for More Strength

y^e 9th In y^e Morning there Came in a Larg Number of y^e Millitia Cheefly from Boston Province — Near 200 with Horses &c : This Seems to Be the Most Unfortunate Day that Ever I Knew we Had a Rumer about Noon that Fort

W^m Henry was Taken for their Firing Seasd Some time in y^e Morning — This Talk Surprized y^e People Vary Much But Afterward was Contradicted which Mad y^e Men Contented But Toard Night Fresh News Com. in that y^e Fort was Certainly Taken this Time it was Generally Believed — all y^e Houses within y^e Lines were Orderd Down and to Be Cleard off — In y^e Evening we were alarmd By y^e Millitia on y^e Other Side y^e River &c.

Now after our People at y^e Lake Had Bravely Stood y^e Seege 7 Days & 6 Night Haveing No Relief Sent em Nor No Incouragement of any were Obliged to Surrender But it was on Capitulation . they were to Bring of their Packs & arms & to March out with Flying Coulers — This was Talkd of this Night —

y^e 10th In y^e Morning Majr Prevos went of with about 300 Men to Meet our Men from y^e Lake The Lines were Soon turnd out & Kept out Most of y^e Day about 9 oClok our People Begun to Com In from y^e Lake — By which we Soon Larn How they were Used

This Morning as they were Marching out of y^e old Encampment they were to Be Guarded By y^e French Ragulars to Keep of y^e Ingians But as they Com of y^e Indians Beset our People & Kild them with their Speers Robd them of all that they were allowd By y^e Capitulation . Children they took from their Mothers & Dash^t their Brains out against y^e Stons y^e Mothers they Servd y^e Same and also their Husbands if they offerd to Relieve them So the Savages Plunderd Stript Kild & Scalpt our People — About Noon y^e Main Body of our People Came in from y^e Lake with their Coulers Displayd — all This Day our People Kept Coming in By Small Partys Appearing in y^e Most Pityfull Manner Som of them Stript Intirely Naked others Robd of Most that they Had But Vary Few of them with their Fire Locks

This & Yesterday are y^e Two Most Sorrowfull Day that Ever were Known to N England

The Seege of Fort W^m Henry Began Aug^t 3^d & it was Surrenderd y^e 9th at 7 in y^e Morning During y^e whol time of this Seege our Men were Extreem Resolute to Go to Relieve our People But Never Could By any Means Get orders

In y^e Seege I am Informd that we Had about 50 Men Kild But y^e Slaughter of this Day is Soposd to Be Vastly Greater than all the Rest — & our Men Not allowd to Resist y^e Savages Let them Sacrifise Nevers So Many of them

(To be continued.)

REPORTS FROM STATE SOCIETIES.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY.

ON Saturday afternoon, June 13, 1903, about twenty-five members of the Society went to Salem, to see The Only Mayflower Gravestone,* that of Richard More in the Charter St. Cemetery, and to visit other points of interest. Many members who had expressed their intention of joining the party were prevented from doing so by the threatening weather.

After the More gravestones had been inspected, Mr. George Francis Dow, Secretary of the Essex Institute, took charge of the party and under his guidance many of Salem's interesting historical points were visited.

DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

"Lewis Dary of Norton, Mass., and Some of His Descendants," from the compiler, Mr. George A. Dary of Boston.

"A Record of the Dedication of the Monument on Dorchester Heights, South Boston," from the Governor and Council.

"Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society," April, 1903, from Mr. Morton Dexter of Boston.

Vital Records of the Towns of Barre, Becket, Lexington, Malden, Southborough, Sudbury, Topsfield and Tyringham, Mass., (eight volumes), from the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

"A Preliminary Statement of the Cantine Genealogy," from the compiler, Rev. Matthew Cantine Julien of New Bedford, Mass.

"Genealogy of the Descendants of Edward Bates of Weymouth, Mass.," "Bates Genealogy Notes . 1," and "Bates Genealogy Notes . 2," all from the publisher, Mr. Frank A. Bates of South Braintree, Mass.

"Constitution and By-Laws with list of Officers and Members, Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Ohio," from Mr. Herbert Jenney of Cincinnati.

"Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War," (ten volumes), from the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

"In Memoriam — Barna Smith Snow," from the author, Mr. W. H. Grant Snow of Boston.

"Damon Memorial," from the compiler, Mr. Brazil M. Damon of Ypsilanti, Mich.

"History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America; with the related families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers," (two volumes), from the compiler, Murray E. Poole, D.C.L., LL.D., of Ithaca, N. Y.

"Genealogy and Family History of the Uphams," from Mrs. Bertrand E. Taylor of Newton Centre.

"The Litchfield Family in America, Part 1, No. 2," from the compiler, Mr. Wilford J. Litchfield of Southbridge.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

June 29, 1903.

783. Samuel Crowell, M.D., Boston, eighth from Stephen Hopkins, seventh from Gyles Hopkins.

* Mayflower Descendant, III : 193.

784. James William Atwill, St. Joseph, Mo., ninth from Isaac Allerton, eighth from Mary Allerton.
785. Rollin Benjamin Andrews, Leominster, eighth from William Brewster.
786. Genevieve Clarke, M.D., Cambridge, ninth from John Billington, eighth from Francis Billington.
787. Col. Charles Henry Alden, M.D., U. S. A., Newtonville, sixth from John Alden.
788. Mrs. Walter Lang Parker, Lowell, eighth from Richard Warren.
789. Mrs. James Joseph Gilligan, Malden, eighth from Thomas Rogers.
August 31, 1903.
790. Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson, Greensboro, Ala., tenth from William Brewster.
791. Mrs. Frank Dexter Ellison, Belmont, eighth from John Alden.
792. Mrs. John Davis Long, Hingham, eighth from William Brewster.
793. Mrs. Frederic Augustus Washburn, New Bedford, seventh from Peter Brown.
794. Frederic Augustus Washburn, Jr., M.D., Boston, eighth from Peter Brown.
795. Thomas Gurney, Atlantic, seventh from Edward Doty.
796. Joseph Eber Beals, Middleborough, seventh from John Howland.
797. Mrs. Bertrand Eugene Taylor, Newton Centre, ninth from Richard Warren.
798. Robert Sloane Bickford, Boston, ninth from Thomas Rogers, eighth from Joseph Rogers.
799. Mrs. Charles Franklin Stevens, Worcester, eighth from William Bradford.
800. Mrs. John James Wood, Philadelphia, Pa., tenth from William Brewster.
801. Mrs. Samuel John Taylor, Philadelphia, Pa., tenth from William Brewster.
802. Mrs. George Gregg Welch, Dover, N. H., tenth from William Brewster.
803. William Prescott Allen, St. Paul, Minn., eighth from William Brewster.
804. Mrs. William Prescott Allen, St. Paul, Minn., ninth from William Brewster.
805. Mrs. Nelson Lansing Martin, Boston, ninth from Thomas Rogers, eighth from Joseph Rogers.
806. Thomas Moulton Durell, M.D., Somerville, tenth from William Brewster.

SUPPLEMENTAL LINES FILED.

June, 1903.

346. James Atkins Noyes, seventh from Edward Doty.
737. Mrs. Arthur E. Linnell, ninth from William Brewster; tenth from William Brewster; tenth from Stephen Hopkins, ninth from Constance Hopkins.
769. William T. Slayton, M.D., eighth from James Chilton, seventh from Mary Chilton; seventh from Francis Eaton, sixth from Samuel Eaton.

August, 1903.

738. Miss Erminnie A. French, ninth from John Alden; eighth from William Bradford; tenth from William Brewster, ninth from Love Brewster; tenth from Richard Warren.

752. Clarence F. French, ninth from John Alden; eighth from William Bradford; tenth from William Brewster, ninth from Love Brewster; tenth from Richard Warren.
776. Augustus B. R. Sprague, eighth from Stephen Hopkins, seventh from Constance Hopkins.
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NEW YORK SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

- June 3, 1903.
730. Gerald Hunt Richmond, Buffalo, ninth from Thomas Rogers.
731. Miss Katharine Griswold Pratt, New York, eighth from Edward Doty.
- July 1, 1903.
732. William Frank Fuller, Brooklyn, ninth from Edward Fuller, eighth from Samuel Fuller.
733. Miss Doris Fuller, Brooklyn, tenth from Edward Fuller, ninth from Samuel Fuller.
734. Miss Lucy Southworth Wicker, New York, tenth from James Chilton, ninth from Mary Chilton.
735. Mrs. Andrew Johnston Townson, Rochester, tenth from William Brewster.
736. Mrs. John Hamilton Derby, Sandy Hill, ninth from Edward Fuller, eighth from Samuel Fuller.
737. Ellery Denison, M.D., New York, seventh from William Brewster.
738. Mrs. Howard Agnew Johnston, New York, eighth from John Alden.
739. Mrs. Edouard T. Mostert, New York, ninth from John Howland.
- July 17, 1903.
740. Miss Elizabeth Cooke Fitch, New York, ninth from William Bradford.
741. Mrs. Edward Johnson Kimball, Minneapolis, Minn., ninth from Richard Warren.
- July 24, 1903.
742. Frank Hustace, Honolulu, H. I., tenth from William Brewster.
743. Robert Barclay Macpherson, New York, ninth from Stephen Hopkins, eighth from Constance Hopkins.
- July 29, 1903.
744. Franklin Trowbridge Ray, New York, ninth from William Bradford.
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PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY.

MEMBER ELECTED.

- June 24, 1903.
146. Mrs. John Mickle Okie, Berwyn, eighth from John Alden.
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

- June 8, 1903.
165. Wolcott Barber Manwaring, New London, Conn., eighth from William Brewster.
166. Benjamin Booth Avery, Cleveland, O., eighth from William Bradford.

MAINE SOCIETY.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

May 29, 1903.

34. Harlan Barzillai Turner, Portland, tenth from William Brewster.
35. Mrs. George Otis Smith, Skowhegan, tenth from William Brewster.
36. Miss Susan Adelaide Glidden, Newcastle, ninth from William Bradford.
37. James Carter Fox, Portland, tenth from Richard Warren.
38. Roscoe Clinton Reynolds, Lewiston, eighth from John Alden.
39. Mrs. Roscoe Clinton Reynolds, Lewiston, seventh from Myles Standish.
40. George Franklin Reynolds, Portland, eighth from Myles Standish.
41. Miss Lydia Anne Hunter, Machias, eighth from John Alden.

June 27, 1903.

42. Mrs. Stephen Coburn, Skowhegan, ninth from William Brewster.
43. Miss Louise Helen Coburn, Skowhegan, tenth from William Brewster.
44. Miss Annie Augusta Clarke, Portland, tenth from James Chilton, ninth from Mary Chilton.

 PILGRIM NOTES AND QUERIES.

NOTES.

THE PARENTAGE OF RICHARD MORE. Mr. Edwin A. Hill of Washington, D. C., in a letter received as we are going to press, states that he has discovered the parentage of the More children who came in the Mayflower. In the parish register of Shipton, Shropshire, England, as printed in 1898 (pages 19-21), will be found the marriage of Samuel Moore, "Generosus" (*i. e.*, of noble birth), and Katherine Moore, of Larden, on 4 February, 1610 (1611, New Style), and the baptisms of their children as follows: "Ellinora," 24 May, 1612; Jasper, 8 August, 1613; Richard, 13 November, 1614; Maria, 16 April, 1616.

Bradford mentions Ellen, Jasper and Richard, and in Richard More's deposition* taken 27 September, 1684, he claimed to be "aged seaventy yeares or thereabouts." Bradford does not mention Maria, who may have died very young, and the baptism of the unnamed brother mentioned by Bradford, who must have been born after 1616, is not found in this register; but there can be no doubt that the parentage of Richard More has been discovered, and the Editor's theory that Richard More survived all the male passengers except Peregrine White is confirmed.

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